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ORDER OF BUSINESS

Wednesday Morning

9:30—Devotional—C. E. Phillips.
9:45—Enrollment.
10:00—Religious Literature—J. A. Hudson.
10:15—Religious Education—M. L. Barnes.
10:45—Sunday Schools—Clyde B. Moody.
11:15—Announcements.
Sermon.
12:00—Dinner.

Wednesday Afternoon

1:00—Devotional—W. J. Francis.
1:15—B. Y. P. U.—J. P. Thomas.
1:45—State Missions—F. M. Huggins.
2:15 Home Missions—C. J. Black.
2:45—Public Morals and Temperance—B. F. Austin.
3:00—Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

Wednesday Night

7:30—Woman's Work—Mrs. M. L. Barns.

Thursday Morning

9:30—Devotional—W. G. Camp.
9:45—Hospitals—W. L. Walters.
10:15—Orphanage—W. W. Rimmer.
10:45—Ministerial Relief—D. P. Dellinger.
11:00—Foreign Missions—B. A. Bowers.
11:45—Election of Officers.
Adjournment.
12:00—Dinner.

Thursday Afternoon

1:00—Devotional—Grady Bowen.
1:15—Historical Report—J. W. Whitley.
1:45—Every Member Canvass—R. A. Kelly.
2:15—Church School of Missions—Mrs. E. V. Hudson.
2:30—Treasurer's Report.
2:35—Report of Executive Committee.
2:45—Obituaries—W. T. Baucom.
3:00—Miscellaneous.
Adjorunment.

GEO. W. DAVIS,
A. E. CLEMMER,
MRS. E. V. HUDSON,
Committee.

DIRECTORIES

DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS

R. G. Mace, Moderator.....Belmont, N. C.
C. J. Black, Vice-Moderator.....Bessemer City, N. C.
J. A. Wilkins, Clerk and Treasurer.....Gastonia, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Gastonia District—B. A. Bowers, J. W. Whitley;
Belmont District—R. G. Mace, Mrs. W. J. Francis, Bryan Hurd;
Dallas District—W. T. Baucom, C. E. Phillips;
Cherryville-Bessemer City District—C. J. Black, David P. Dellinger.

There are no standing committees.

ASSOCIATIONAL AUXILIARIES

Director of B. Y. P. U.....J. P. Thomas
Director of S. S.....Clyde Moody, Mt. Holly
Prseident W. M. U. .....Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mt. Holly
Member State Mission Board.....J. W. Whitley
Delegate State Convention.....W. A. Hoffman
Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention.....E. V. Hudson
Hospital Representative.....W. J. Francis
Orphanage Representative,..... D. P. Dellinger

There are no institutions indentified with the Association and no Baptist Institutions within its bounds.

Motto: Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you always labouring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.—Col. 4:12.
(Adopted at the organization of the Association, November 4, 1919)

DELEGATES ENROLLED

ALEXIS—C. R. Bradshaw, A. L. McAllister, S. M. Stroupe, Mrs. S. M. Stroupe, Mrs. G. G. Helderman, Miss Annie Bradshaw, Mrs. G. A. Rhyne, Herman McAllister.

BELMONT, EAST—Mrs. J. D. Buie, Mrs. J. B. Brown, Miss Rose E. Rhodes.

BELMONT, FIRST—R. B. Suggs, R. A. Kelly, W. F. Walters, John Jones.

BESSEMER CITY—J. L. Grant, W. A. Lindsay, Dr. C. J. Black.

BETHEL—

BRUINGTON—Mrs. D. F. Hovis, W. W. Rimmer.

CENTERVIEW—J. M. Parker, W. M. Harris, J. T. Lowery, E. S. Auten, F. M. Huggins .

CHERRYVILLE—W. J. T. Styers, David P. Dellinger, Leslie E. Bookout.

CRAMERTON—Bryan Hurd, Miss Elizabeth Leeper, G. V. Hanna. Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Dr. E. V. Hudson.

DALLAS—Mrs. F. H. Robinson, Miss Helen Durham, Mrs. G. R. Dixon.

GASTONIA, CALVARY—P. S. Barber, J. A. Hudson, F. C. Patrick, A. B. Bentley.

GASTONIA, EAST—T. L. Cashwell, Mrs. T. L. Cashwell.

GASTONIA, FIRST—Dr. B. A. Bowers, Miss Naomi Braswell.

GASTONIA, FLINT GROVES—J. F. Reep, B. F. Austin, A. L. Cline.

GASTONIA, LORAY—L. J. Waldrop, J. B. Cooper, Miss Macie Haynes, Mrs. D. A. Griggs, W. R. Hicks, J. W. Whitley.

GASTONIA, SOUTH MARIETTA STREET—Mrs. Loyd Hope, Geo. W. Davis, Mrs. J. M. Kincaid, Mrs. Propst.

GASTONIA, TEMPLE—Mrs. W. H. Huggins, Mrs. T. R. Young, H. M. Childers, Miss Hazel Dellinger.

HARDIN—Miss Pauline High, Ed. Brown.

HICKORY GROVE—Mrs. F. H. Abernathy, T. A. Lineberger. Mrs. W. T. Rankin, W. T. Rankin.

HIGH SHOALS—J. L. Moss, C. P. Abernathy, E. M. Sasebee.

HULLS GROVE—

LONG CREEK MEMORIAL—H. W. Jenkins, A. R. Holland, Mrs. C. E. Phillips, Mrs. Kreusler, T. S. Summey, C. E. Phillips.

LOWELL, FIRST—A. E. Clemmer, Mrs. Ida Hoffman.

McADENVILLE—T. P. Skidmore, D. C. Wesson.

MOUNTAIN VIEW—

MT. BEULAH—R. P. Land, E. H. Biggerstaff, A. M. Kiser, L. A. Barbee, W. G. Camp.

MT. HOLLY—S. J. Skidmore, W. W. Skidmore, Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mrs. Geo. Grice, M. L. Barnes.

MT. ZION—

RANLO—W. L. Walters, Mrs. O. G. Payseur.

RIVERSIDE—Mrs. R. U. Brooks.

SANDY PLAINS—Mrs. W. E. Beaty, Mrs. Lena Stroupe, W. D. Stroup, Miss Nina Hoffman, E. H. Moten, W. E. Beaty, M. P. Rhyne.

SHADY GROVE—C. C. Sellers, D. M. Witherspoon, Bert Stroupe, J. W. Sinclair, Mrs. S. L. Crisp, Mrs. W. F. Allen, Miss Jennie Armstrong, Miss Lona Petty.

SPENCER MOUNTAIN—

TUCKASEEGE—

WEBBS CHAPEL—

WOODLAWN—W. T. Baucom.

VISITORS ENROLLED

Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Dallas; Miss Catherine Abernathy, St. Paul's Lutheran Church; Rev. A. T. Howell, Kings Mountain; J. W. Sutter, Kings Mountain; Miss Mary J. Sink; Mrs. W. W. Rimmer, Cornelius; M. L. Kesler, Mills Home, Thomasville; H. E. Waldrop, Kings Mountain; C. P. Gardner, New Smyra, Fla.; L. L. Jessup, Shelby; C. H. Myers, Pastor First Baptist Church, Mooresville; J. D. Huggins, Boiling Springs; G. G. Page, Biblical Recorder; W. T. Brown, Kings Mountain; Miss Lizzie Nantz, Alexis; Mrs. A. L. McAllister, Alexis; W. O. Glover, Belmont; Mrs. A. R. Lowden, Belmont; Miss Carrie Lee Harris, Belmont; Miss Pearl Cooks, Belmont; H. W. Skidmore, Belmont; Beatrice Parker, Gastonia; Mrs. Georgia Meachem, Cramerton; Miss Margaret Leeper, Cramerton; Mrs. W. A. Marley, Gastonia; Mrs. J. A. Hudson, Gastonia; Mrs. Leonard O. Smith, Gastonia; George Cole, E. Gastonia; Mrs. J. F. Reep, E. Gastonia; Clyde Moss, Gastonia; Jennings Moss, Gastonia; J. R. Grigg, Gastonia; J. P. Thomas, Gastonia; Oatsie Wallace, Gastonia; Vernon Houston, Gastonia; Miss Della Wallace, Gastonia; Miss Eula Parker, Gastonia; Miss Edna Lewis, Gastonia; Miss Lethia Henson, Gastonia; Miss Dorothy Hurley, Gastonia; J. S. Young, West Gastonia; Mrs. T. S. Summey, Dallas; Mrs. B. M. Holland, Dallas; Mrs.

Avery Jerrell, Dallas; Miss Willie Holland, Dallas; T. C. Smith, Dallas; Mrs. T. C. Payne, Dallas; Miss Mary Thomas, Lowell; Mrs. R. A. Thomas, Lowell; Miss Rutisha Rankin, McAdenville; Mrs. Lee Deaton, McAdenville; Mrs. D. C. Wesson, McAdenville; Mrs. C. E. Austin, McAdenville; Will Rankin, McAdenville; Harvey Lineberger, McAdenville; Mrs. L. A. Barbee, Beesemer City; J. S. Abernathy. Beesemer City; Rev. George L. Mullis, Mt. Holly; Mrs. George L. Mullis, Mt. Holly; Mrs. Bessie Youngblood, Mt. Holly; Mrs. W. L. Walters, Gastonia; Miss Myrtle Abernathy, Mt. Holly; J. D. Smith, Mt. Holly; Mrs. J. D. Smith, Mt. Holly; Miss Gladys Stafford, Mt. Holly; S. A. Cloninger, Lowell; Mrs. J. G. Stephenson, Gastonia; Mrs. W. J. T. Styers, Cherryville; D. B. Stroup, Route 3, Gastonia; Mrs. E. H. Biggerstaff, Bessemer City.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

of the

GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With The

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Lowell, N. C.

FIRST DAY

Wednesday, October, 21, 1931, 9:30 *A. M.*

1. The Association was opened with a song. Rev. R. A. Kelly, Belmont, led the singing and the invocation was by Rev. C. E. Phillips, Pastor Long Creek Memorial Baptist Church, Dallas, N. C.

2. Dr. B. A. Bowers, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Gastonia, N. C., led the devotional, using as his subject II Cor. 8:5, "This they did, not as we had hoped, but, first, they gave themselves to the Lord."

3. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. R. G. Mace, for the transaction of business. D. C. Wesson and W. A. Hoffman were appointed as a Committee on Enrollment.

4. The Moderator recognized the following visitors from outside the Association: Rev. John W. Suttle, Moderator of the Kings Mountain Association; J. D. Moose, Charlotte, N. C.; G. C. Page, of the Biblical Recorder; G. P. Abernathy, Shelby; H. E. Waldrop, Shelby; W. N. Cook, Webster's; L. L. Jessup, Shelby; M. I. Harris, Hickory; W. T. Brown, Shelby; C. H. Myers, Mooresville; A. T. Howell, Kings Mountain.

5. Upon motion duly seconded, the Moderator ruled that the Association would proceed to business without waiting for the report of the Enrollment Committee. There was no objection and it was so ordered.

6. Rev. W. T. Baucom read the Report on Hospitals. There was a motion to adopt the report and the subject was thrown open for discussion. Rev. Baucom was recognized and discussed the report. After his discussion, the report was unanimously adopted.

7. Rev. W. A. Hoffman read the Report on Orphanages. It was unanimously adopted.

8. Bro. M. L. Kessler, Manager of the Mills Home, Thomasville, N. C., was recognized and made an appeal for a special offering once a month by every church for the Orphanage and asked that each church enter into a program of intelligent, systematic, prayerful giving to this cause.

9. On motion by Dr. J. W. Whitley, seconded by Dr. B. A. Bowers, the Association voted to defer the Report on Ministerial Relief to the afternoon session in order to give full time to the sermon.

10. The Committee on Enrollment reported 72 delegates, 48 visitors and 17 pastors present for the first session.

11. Rev. B. F. Austin, Pastor of FLint Groves Baptist Church, Gastonia, N. C., preached the Associational Sermon, using as his subject Matthew 27:22, "What, then, shall I do with Jesus, which is called Christ?"

12. The Moderator appointed the following Committees:

Order of Business—Mrs. E. V. Hudson, A. E. Clemmer, Geo. W. Davis.

Nominating Executive Committee—Miss Naomi Braswell, F. M. Huggins, M. P. Rhyne.

Nominating Officers—J. W. Whitley, W. L. Walters, M. L. Barnes.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

13. In the absence of Rev. J. J. Beach, devotional was conducted by Dr. Chas. E. Brewer, President of Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C. Dr. Brewer read from the twelfth chapter of Luke and brought an insipring message.

14. The Moderator appointed the Committee on Place and Preacher for next year as follows: R. B. Suggs, L. J. Waldrop, Luther Barbee.

15. The following visitors from outside the Association were recognized: Bro. George Burnett, Memphis, Tenn.; Bro. Perry Morgan, Raleigh, N. C.; Dr. Sams, Mars Hill College.

16. There was a motion to extend the time of the afternoon session twenty minutes in order to give time for Report on Ministerial Relief omitted from the morning session; the motion was carried.

17. Rev. C. E. Phillips read the Report on Ministerial Relief, relieving Bro. M. P. Rhyne. The report was adopted without discussion.

18. Rev. D. C. Wesson read the Report on Religious Literature. There was a motion to adopt and Bro. C. G. Page, of the Biblical Recorder, discussed the subject. The report was unanimously adopted.

19. Rev. C. E. Phillips read the Report on State Missions. There was a motion to adopt and discussion followed by Bro. Phillips. Bro. Perry Morgan was recognized and brought a message to the Association, particularly stressing the Every Member Canvass. The report was adopted.

20. Rev. T. L. Cashwell read the Report on Home Missions. There was a motion to adopt and Bro. Cashwell discussed the report briefly. The report was unanimously adopted.

21. Dr. E. V. Hudson read the Report on Foreign Missions and Rev. R. A. Kelly presided during the reading of the report. There was a motion to adopt and Bro. Hudson discussed the report, urging the establishment of a School of Missions in every church in the Association. The report was adopted.

22. Bro. George Burnett was recognized and addressed the Association on the subject of "Stewardship."

23. There was a motion to allow Bro. Cashwell to rewrite his report to include certain statistics. The motion carried.

24. Dr. Sams, Dean of Mars Hill College, was recognized and brought greetings from Mars Hill College.

25. Bro. W. W. Rimmer was recognized and told the Association of the serious illness of Bro. J. J. Beach, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Cherryville, N. C. There was a free-will offering taken for Bro. Beach in the amount of $25.56 and sent to him by Bro. Rimmer.

26. There was a motion that the Clerk be instructed to send Bro. Beach a letter of love and sympathy from the Association. The motion was carried.

Wednesday Night Session

27. Special prayer for Bro. Rush Padgett, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lowell, N. C., who was reported seriously ill at his home.

28. Devotional was conducted by Rev. M. P. Rhyne, reading from the 15th Psalm and using as his subject "Who shall abide in thy tabernacle."

29. Dr. Chas. E. Brewer, President of Meredith College, was recognized and spoke interestingly of Meredith College and Christian education.

30. The program was turned over to Bro. K. L. Lineberger, Director of Sunday School work in the Association.

31. Bro. Lineberger read the Report on Sunday School work. There was a motion to adopt the report. Bro. Lineberger was recognized and discussed the report. The report was adopted.

32. Solo by Miss Naomi Braswell.

33. Recognition of the new Associational Officers in the Sunday School work.

34. Bro. C. B. Moody was recognized and outlined briefly the work for the new year, setting as his goal for the Association 18 standard Sunday Schools, 1 week of training in every church, monthly reports from all Sunday Schools and spirituality in Sunday School teaching.

35. Bro. M. O. Thornburg, Superintendent of Sunday School in the First Baptist Church, Gastonia, N. C., was recognized as the speaker of the evening and brought

a message on the subject "The call of the Sunday School —the scope of the Sunday School—the Spirit of the Sunday School—the challenge of the Sunday School."

Thursday Morning Session

36. Invocation by Rev. F. M. Huggins.

37. Devotional was conducted by Rev. J. A. Hudson, reading from the 4th chapter of Amos and 6th chapter of Matthew and using as his subject "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you."

38. The Moderator recognized Bro. J. B. Huggins, of Boiling Springs Junior College; Bro. Bryant, North Brook Association.

39. Bro. J. P. Thomas read the Report on B. Y. P. U. work. There was a motion to adopt the report and Bro. Thomas was recognized for discussion. After a brief talk, Bro. Thomas introduced Rev. H. G. Brown, Pastor of the North Charlotte Baptist Church, who spoke on the subject "A worthy goal for the local church in B. Y. P. U. work." The report was adopted.

40. Dr. C. J. Black moved that the Treasurer's Report and the election of officers be taken up at this time in order to give more time for the Report on Denominational Schools. The motion was carried.

41. Dr. C. J. Black announced that Bro. J. R. Rollins, who was nominated to succeed himself as Treasurer, did not care to serve again and the matter was again referred to the Committee on Nomination of Officers with the power to substitute.

42. Dr. J. W. Whitley read the Report on Denominational Schools. There was a motion to adopt the report and Dr. Whitley was recognized and discussed the report.

Bro. Huggins, Dean of Boiling Springs Junior College, was recognized and brought greetings from Boiling Springs Junior College, Sandy Run Association and Kings Mountain Association and spoke interestingly of the contribution of Boiling Springs Junior College to Christian education in North Carolina.

Dr. B. A. Bowers was recognized and commended Boiling Springs Junior College to the support of the people of the denomination.

Rev. W. W. Rimmer was recognized and praised Boiling Springs Junior College for its work.

Rev. W. G. Camp praised Boiling Springs Junior College for its work.

Bro. J. P. Thomas was recognized and thanked Bro. Huggins for the wonderful school that he has conducted for the denomination.

The report was unanimously adopted.

43. On motion the Order of Business was changed and Rev. W. G. Camp read the Report on Obituaries.

44. Rev. F. M. Huggins read the Report of the Nominating Executive Committee. The report was adopted.

45. The Report of the Executive Committee was given verbally by Rev. W. T. Baucom, as follows:

"No funds have been received by the Committee from the churches. The Committee received two requests for aid but both were declined on account of lack of funds."

46. Rev. W. W. Rimmer brought a message of appreciation from Rev. J. J. Beach for the free-will offering sent him by the Association at the Wednesday afternoon session.

Thursday Afternoon Session

47. Solo by Bro. M. A. Hughey, Gastonia, N. C.

48. Devotional by Rev. R. A. Kelly, Pastor First Baptist Church, Belmont, reading Matthew 25:4; Titus 1:7; I Cor. 13th chapter, and using as his subject "Some of the characteristics of a good steward."

49. Dr. C. J. Black, Pastor of the Bessemer City Baptist Church, was recognized and gave an interesting and instructive resume of the history of Baptist work in this section and of the Association in particular.

50. In the absence of Rev. Rush Padgett on account of sickness, the Report on Public Morals and Temperance was read by Dr. B. A. Bowers of the First Baptist Church, Gastonia, N. C. There was a motion to adopt.

Bro. C. A. Upchurch of the Anti-Saloon League was recognized and brought a stirring message to the Association on the liquor question.

The report was adopted.

51. The Report on the Centennial Campaign was omitted.

52. Bro. Waldrop read the Report of the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for the next session. The report was adopted.

53. Mrs. Hudson read the report of the Committee on Order of Business for the next session. The report was adopted.

54. Rev. T. L. Cashwell was recognized and made a motion that a committee be appointed to draw a resolution, spread it on the Minutes and give it publicity in the press that the Association is behind the prohibition movement and will support it as such. The motion was carried and Dr. B. A. Bowers was appointed a committee of one to draw the resolution. The resolution follows:

RESOLUTION ON PROHIBITION

In this, one of the greatest sessions of the Gaston County Baptist Associations, we wish to reaffirm our position on the question of prohibition.

The good results of prohibition have been manifested everywhere. They are hygienic, industrial, commercial, moral and religious. It is not a political question.

Since the advocates of liquor have the support of daily papers of large circulation, widely read magazines and the movies, and are raising great sums of money for the purpose of bringing again on our people the blighting, wrecking, debauching and ruining liquor traffic, we therefore urge our pastors, church officials and members to do all in their power to save our homes, churches, business and professional interests from a return of this terrible curse.

We unite with the Southern Baptist Convention in a resolution

unanimously adopted at their meeting in Birmingham, Ala., May 16th, 1931:

"That, as we have frequently done heretofore, we declare our intention and purpose not to support for President of the United States, Senator, Representative, Governor, or other officers of high and responsible position any candidate who is hostile to or does not openly and frankly support our present prohibition laws, but to seek the defeat of any such candidate no matter what party label he may wear."

55. Rev. J. A. Hudson made a motion that a free-will offering be taken for the work. The motion was carried and the collection was $16.68. The money was turned over to Bro. Upchurch.

56. Bro. W. T. Baucom read the following resolution and it was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION

Resolved:

1. That we thank the members of the First Baptist Church of Lowell for throwing open their doors to the Gaston County Baptist Association for its 1931 sessions.

2. That we assure the ushers and others who have assisted them in doing everything possible for our convenience and pleasure that their efforts are appreciated.

3. That we express our deepest appreciation to the ladies of this church for the appetizing and satisfying plate dinners they have served throughout the sessions of the Association; that we assure them further that the beautiful flowers they have had in the church at every session of the Association have added greatly to our pleasure.

4. That we extend our love and sympathy to the pastor, whose physical condition has prevented his attending this session of the Association.

W. T. BAUCOM.

57. A motion to adjourn was adopted.

Song "God Be With You."

Benediction by Rev. D. C. Wesson.

R. G. MACE, Moderator

J. A. WILKINS, Clerk

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

General Statements

The Baptist Hospital for North Carolina is located at Winston-Salem, N. C. It is owned and controlled by Baptists. Every Baptist is entitled to say "My Hospital." Baptists built this Hospital for the purpose of saving human life and giving relief to the suffering and deformed.

It is well located on a knoll overlooking the city and the climate is ideal. It is constructed of fire proof material and is splendidly equipped for service. Its medical and surgical staff are as good as can be found in the State, and Christian nurses serving there are efficient and the management and the nurses believe in and gather for prayer daily. All services rendered are rendered under an environment of Christian love, sympathy and prayer. Such service tends to inspire the sick with hope and lure them back to health. Surely it bears the marks of Divine approval. 18,151 have entered since it opened its doors. Record above all other hospitals in South in patients cured; lowest death rate.

Work Last Year

Last year the Hospital cared for 2,750 patients, and above 1,600 of these were either charity or part pay patients. Fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) were spent on charity patients alone. Five thousand dollars ($5,000) per month is now being spent on charity patients. That means $60,000 a year at the present rate. The Hospital spent only $5,000 the first year of its existence on charity patients. It now spends that much a month. The combined income from all sources for this work is a little less than $3,000 per month. It is impossible to make up this difference each month out of receipts from those who pay.

Some ways to help take care of this deficit, and make the Hospital more efficient:

1. To help meet this shortage and keep this charity work going, the Hospital is asking churches or communities which send charity patients to pay $1.50 per day toward expenses incurred by the Hospital for such patients. And it appeals to every Baptist church in the State to make a large Mother's Day offering for this worthy cause. These requests are reasonable, and if heeded will make it possible for the Hospital not only to keep up its present charity work, but will enable it to increase it.

2. Patronize your own Hospital. All Baptists able to pay for hospital treatment can help by going to our own Hospital.

There you will find as good, and I believe better treatment than you will find anywhere else in the State. I know of no other hospital with such fine Christian atmosphere. The death rate has been the lowest in the State; good roads make it easy in reach of all; and everyone who pays for service helps the Hospital to care for more needy ones. So far not one case properly recommended by doctor and church has been turned down. To keep this good work going, help must come from some source immediately.

3. Other ways to help: Mr. E. L. Davis, President of the Board of Trustees, presented the Hospital with radium recently. This has added to its usefulness. The Hospital now needs $5,000 to enlarge its equipment and improve its service.

The gift from Mr. Davis is a challenge to other Baptists in the State to provide this needed $5,000. The Hospital, out of its meagre income has succeeded in building and equipping a $50,000 nurses' home. This also should challenge us. Remember the Hospital in your will. $15,000 will endow a bed in the charity ward. On the average, 24persons will occupy that bed per year. Such a gift would bless 24 people year after year after you are gone to your reward.

Let us pray for its work and give it more money.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. BAUCOM

THE ORPHANAGE

The work that is being done in the Mills Home, located at Thomasville, N. C., should appeal to the heart of every Baptist of our State. For forty-six years North Carolina Baptists have been making provision for boys and girls who in the providence of God have been left helpless and dependent upon others by the death of those to whom they could naturally turn for love, care, and proper training. During these forty-six years, more than 3,600 boys and girls have come under the protecting influence of the Mills Home. A large number of these today are filling places of usefulness throughout our land. At present, the Orphanage is taking care of 900 children; 503 of these are in the Mills Home at Thomasville; 133 in the Kennedy Home at Kinston, N. C., 265 in their own home with their mothers, provided for through the Mother's Aid service.

There are several things in connection with this phase of our denominational work that should give the Orphanage a close place to the heart of every North Carolina Baptist.

1. The total value of the property owned and controlled by the denomination.

2. The methods of carrying on the work under the present management of M. L. Kesler and his associates.

3. The number of children being cared for at present.

4. The type of care and training given to them while there.

5. The economy with which the Orphanage is maintained.

There are also some things in connection with the work that should arouse us to earnest thought, prayer, and action.

1. The many worthy and needy ones who are continually knocking at closed doors.

2. The ever increasing and hindering indebtedness that is made necessary to carry on the work.

3. The ever decreasing number of Sunday Schools that are sending regular monthly offerings.

In view of these needs, we offer two recommendations:

1. That every Baptist church in the Gaston County Baptist Association give the Orphanage a chance to do its best and fullest work by making regular monthly offerings through its Sunday School.

2. That we strive to remove the present indebtedness on the Orphanage by a great Thanksgiving offering during the Thanksgiving season of this year.

Respectfully submitted,
W. ARTHUR HOFFMAN.

REPORT OF THE RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD

It is taken for granted that Southern Baptists have at last awakened in a measure to their aged and infirm ministers and their widows. So this report will only set forth briefly the work of your Board established for that purpose.

The work of this Board is done through two departments. The first called the Relief Department, which receives 3 1-2 per cent of all funds contributed by the churches through their Co-operative Program, which the Board distributes bi-monthly according to its best judgment.

In addition to the above amount it appropriates the interest from its Invested Reserve Fund to the same purpose. For the last five years the receipts from the churches have steadily diminished until they became so meager that the Board was forced last year to draw on its Reserve Fund for nearly half the whole amount allocated to its beneficiaries, and without this Reserve Fund even the pittances now received by our old preachers must have been cut practically in half. Our North Carolina ministers have actually received from the Board during the current year nearly twice as much as our churches have sent in for this purpose.

The other department of our Board is known as the Service Annuity Department. This began to operate last January in place of the old Annuity Department, but stll carries out the contracts made out under the old plan. Under the Relief Department the beneficiaries were not required to make any payments and received their allotments gratuitiously. Under the Service Annuity Plan its beneficiaries and their churches are required to co-operate. A pastor is asked to contribute 2 1-2 per cent of his salary in monthly installments, and his church is asked to contribute an amount equal to 8 per cent of its regular pastor's salary. By these means, together with a Contingent Fund provided by the Board, it is proposed to accumulate for the participating pastor 65 years of age a minimum of $500.00 a year or a maximum of around $1,200.00 a year, depending in general on the average salary received under 35 years of service. Special provision is made in case of disability before reaching 65 years of age, and widows are to receive one-half the amount allocated to their husbands.

For particulars of the plan you are urged to write to Mr. Hugh F. Lattimer, Asheville, N. C., who is the Board's Eastern representative.

The Board's regular beneficiaries last year through the South were 691 ministers, 603 widows, 49 emergency cases and 15 children. Of this number, 70 ministers and 59 widows were from North Carolina. Participant under the new Annuity Plan 55 ministers, 45 missionaries and 67 widows.

Respectfully submitted,

M. P. RHYNE.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITY

The care of the aged and disabled ministers of the State was some years ago committed to the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Dallas, Texas, and that Board has been carrying on successfully since 1918.

The churches should not overlook the fact that the Relief and Annuity Board has to provide benefits in all the States of the Southern Baptist Convention and that the reduced giving on the part of our people greatly limits its ability to provide adequately and worthily for our veterans. Increased stipends can be provided only as increased gifts are made by our people. The bulk of the money now in the custody of the Relief and Annuity Board, (all but $500,000) is in the Annuity Department. The reason for this is that the funds held for annuities have not yet been heavily drawn upon while the relief beneficiaries have been paid to the limit of the

Board's ability each month in every year since it was organized. It should also be understood that a large part of the resources of the Annuity Department consist of funds contributed by the minister members themselves with interest accumulations thereon.

Larger contributions on the part of the churches are necessary if the Board is to be placed in a position to more worthily care for the beneficiaries of the Relief Department.

Facts About the Relief and Annuity Board

1. The Board's assets have steadily increased from $106,428.53 in 1919 to $3,768,574.08 at the close of 1930.

2. The Board's investment earnings since 1918 have been $1,-304,000.00.

3. The Board's regular operating costs have been paid from its investment earnings. During the year just closed cost of operation was less than 1 per cent earnings on its investments, and its net earnings were 5.2 per cent.

4. All net earnings have been used for building up the reserves in the Relief and the Annuity Departments from which reserves all benefits are paid.

5. The Board has paid in benefits during 13 years $1,678,769.68. Relief benefits have been $1,422,471.73; annuities $256,297.95.

6. The Board has paid relief benefits during the year just ended to 1,493 preachers, missionaries, widows and orphans.

7. The Board has paid annuities to 174 members of the Annuity Fund or to the widows and orphans of deceased members.

8. The (old) Annuity Fund, now closed to new members, has 1525 active and retired members. This is inclusive of widows and orphans. This fund, though closed to new members, must pay benefits perhaps for 50 years.

9. Total sum paid in benefits during the past year $198,293.00. Relief, $129,026.45; Annuities $69,266.56. The above total is the largest ever paid in a single year.

10. All funds, contributed by the churches of the Convention now go to the Relief Department to provide stipends for aged and disabled bministers and missionaries.

Service Annuity Progress

The Board's new plan of age and disability incomes for ministers and missionaries and for the dependents of deceased ministers and missionaries known as the Service Annuity Plan is expected soon to become operative. Large numbers of ministers have signed agreements to participate and the number is growing rapidly. The

churches likewise are manifesting great interest in the plan and it is confidently expected that more than the minimum number necessary to inaugurate it by January 1, 1932, will be secured.

Every church which acts promptly and thus makes possible the successful outcome of the Board's great undertaking will in the years to come have reason to thank God that it had the vision and the liberality to do so. All participating ministers will under the plan be provided for in such a manner as will cause them and the contributing churches to rejoice.

REPORT OF RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Our Baptist periodicals are distinct, necessary and vital agencies of our denominational life and work. The printing press is one of God's mightiest agencies in human uplift. "The pen is mightier than the sword." Christian people have not yet rightly valued and utilized the power of the printed page. When the Lord's people are informed about His work surely they will be ready to do it. The preaching of the Gospel is indispensable and cannot be done away with without irreparable loss to the world's salvation. The preacher and teacher alike are dependent on the printer and his art. The printed page embalms thought. "Longfellow sleeps yonder beneath the blooming flowers, but his beautiful songs of Indian life and Puritan history live on with undiminished power." The Bible in the hands of the common people has done more for civilization and man's redemption than probably any other human agency. The heart of man can never pay its dues to the blessing of the "leaves of life" sent out from the printer's hands.

The devil is greatly advancing his cause by the wrong use of his handmaiden of light. A very flood of false and foul literature, much of it worthy to have been edited in the depths of perdition, is by all sorts of devilish ingenuity being pressed upon the people. There are popular books abroad today, without number, that are pestiferous in their influences, damaging in their tendencies, and harmful only in their results. They should never be seen on a lady's table or tolerated in a decent home.

Every church member should be made to feel that one of his duties to himself, his family, his church, to the Kingdom of God and to Christ Himself, is to take and read his denominational paper. The Recorder has a place on its pages of the work women are doing in the State. Charity and Children should have a place in our homes.

Our Southern Baptist Sunday School Board publishes, in addition School and B. Y. P. U., one of the finest missionary journals in America, the "Home and Foreign Fields."

"Royal Service" is the monthly magazine published by the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Brethren, we should do all possible to anchor all souls to Phil. 4: 8. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. WESSON.

STATE MISSION REPORT

When Jesus was ready to go back into the Spirit world after His resurrection, He gave to His disciples their working orders. He told them how to let the world know about His plan of saving the lost. He told them that after the Holy Ghost had come to give working power, they were to begin the evangelization of the world. Since Jerusalem was home, they were to begin their work there, then they were to go to Judea and Samaria and then unto the uttermost parts of all the earth.

Our first duty, though not our only duty by any means, is to begin at home; to preach and teach Christ's Kingdom here in North Carolina. This work is done by our Sunday Schools, Baptist Young People's Unions, Women's Missionary Unions, our Hospital, the Mills Home, and our colleges and schools of the State.

"Do we need mission work in our State?" is a question asked in our Intermediate B. Y. P. U. Quarterly, in the Program material for next Sunday. We quote the answer, given in the Quarterly: "We have seen some of the things that are being done through our Co-operative Program in our State. Now the question is, is this work needed? Someone has said, "State missions has ever been a builder of churches and a forerunner of Christian schools, hospitals, orphanages and every phase of Baptist work. State missions must go in advance, prepare the way, and make possible these necessary agencies."

When we think of what is included in the work of our State Mission Board, we readily see that our State needs all the work that is being done. Let us think for a minute of what a difference it would make in our State, if our State Mission Board should cease work.

(1) There would be no B. Y. P. U. secretaries, no Sunday School secretaries, no W. M. U. leaders. If we needed help in our church in putting on a training school of anykind, there would be no worker whose services we might secure.

(2) We would have no Baptist schools in which we might get our training for service; the orphan boys and girls would be left to drift, and without a chance for Christian training hundreds of them would probably waste their lives; our sick people would have no Baptist Hospital where they might find relief from their suffering in the midst of their own people; the thousands of unenlisted in the needy fields of the State would have no preacher to come and lead them to Christ. These are just some of the things that would happen if we did not, through our Co-operative Program, carry on the work of our denomination in our State.

Our State Mission Board was organized to carry on the Master's work throughout the State, and for a hundred years the Board has diligently carried on its work and yet the destitution is, perhaps, greater than ever before. Something must be done about it. And we believe that the right thing is being done, if we can get our people to see it. In the last session of the Southern Baptist Convention, a movement was inaugurated to enlist every member of every Baptist church within our bounds in the whole program of Southern Baptists, local, State and Southwide.

If we succeed in doing this, our troubles are over; if we all tithe, there will come into our church treasuries each year a minimum of $160,000,000—a sum that would provide adequately for all our local church work and our general denominational program as well. In addition, God will pour out upon us such spiritual blessings as we could not have room enough to receive. Let us pray that God will move upon His people to bring in the tithe and the offering and fiill His treasury.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. PHILLIPS.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

When our fathers organized the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845, provision was made for the witnessing of our churches for Christ by creating two boards—the Home Mission Board and the Foreign Mission Board. Since that time, in spite of many handicaps, the Board has heroically endeavored to meet its obligation to the denomination and assist in making a Christ-like world.

The Board is not free from debt nor have all its problems been solved, but, in spite of a very complex and delicate situation, it now stands on fairly solid ground and only needs time and continued support of the churches.

Although workers have been dropped and appropriations reduced, the real mission work of the Board has been continued. This has

been done in the face of decreasing receipts. First, by giving the missionaries more territory; and second, by reducing appropriations to the various institutions and majoring on preaching the Gospel. Our Board has redefined Mission work. It is interpreting "Missions" to mean primarily the "making and baptizing" of disciples.

In planning its work, the Board at the annual meeting in May, by combining departments and making other adjustments, cut more than $5,000 off of its overhead expense. Since then, by moving to cheaper but adequate quarters, $1,260.00 has been saved in rent. The same sort of economy is being practiced in every department and in all the fields of the Board's operations. It is the effort and intention to secure 100 cents' worth of service for every dollar expended.

In its report to the Convention at New Orleans, the Board announced some general principles by which it would be governed in its future operations, as follows:

(1) To practice every possible economy. (2) To give itself primarily to strictly mission work—making and baptizing disciples. (3) To work in closest co-operation with all the State and South-wide organizations. (4) To have no secrets about the handling of funds or administration of its affairs. (5) To live within its income and not go in debt. (6) To keep intact and faithfully administer every trust fund committed to its care. (7) To dispose of all property not being used for mission and church purposes and apply proceeds to the debt. (8) To pay its debt and stay out of debt. (9) To furnish the churches with accurate information about our Home Mission work. (10) To take the churches into its confidence and seek their council and help on all the work to be done.

Your Committee voices a hearty amen to the above stated policy and recommends that this Association go on record as endorsing such a program and at the same time offer our utmost support and co-operation in making it successful.

Respectfully submitted,

T. L. CASHWELL,

Committee.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

If there is one clear message in the New Testament, it is that the Gospel shall be preached to every creature in the world. Our Lord left no room for doubt on this point. It is plain that the work of missions is not optional, but is a command of every believer. We cannot march with Christ unless we accept His missionary program. Neither can we expect His presence with us if we fail Him in this

great work. His promise is that He will be with us "all the way even unto the end of the world," but before we can claim this great promise we must be true to His great command—to go into all the world and preach His Gospel to every creature.

Southern Baptists have projected Foreign Mission work in six great sections of papal and pagan lands; namely, South America, Africa, China, Japan, Europe, and Palestine. On these fields last year there were 423 missionaries and 2,116 native helpers. We have 2,681 churches with a total enrollment of 169,311 members on our mission fields. Last year 14,415 persons were baptized. This is the largest number ever reported baptized before.

The work of our missionaries in foreign fields is practically the same that is done here in the home land. Their work includes: evangelism, education, Sunday School activities, B. Y. P. U., W. M. U., hospitals, and the printing press.

The financial condition of our Foreign Mission Board is very depressing. The debt on the Board on Jan. 1, 1931, was $945,366.00. This is a larger debt than was reported last year. The increase in debt is due to the falling off of receipts from the churches, and to the fact that money had to be borrowed from the banks to meet pressing obligations, and to the further fact that the Board for a while suspended the payment of 10 per cent of its receipts on the debt. The income of the Board has continued to decrease. At the meeting of the Foreign Mission Board last week it was decided that $200,000.00 had to be cut out of the 1932 budget. This is an alarming situation.

I would call your attention to another debt we owe, far more pressing and urgent than the one we owe the banks in Richmond. This debt must be paid before all others. It is first, it is primary. The reason we are having so much trouble paying our money debts is due to the fact that we have defaulted in paying this preferred debt. This debt we owe is expressed by Paul in the First Chapter of Romans: "I am debtor both to the Greeks and to the Barbarians; both to the wise and to the foolish."

If we will pay this debt fully to the nations, our debts on our institutions will be paid in a month, and the cause of Christ in all the world will be set forward without delay.

Brethren, it is my profound conviction that the work of sending the Gospel to all the nations constitutes our major work. There is little justification for our existence as churches if we fail here. To fail here is to default in the most important phase of the work of the Kingdom. There is nothing else that is so commanding, so urgent, so imperative, so indispensable, so challenging as Foreign Missions.

What Is the Remedy?

1. Let each church put on the Every Member Canvass, and see that each member is enlisted in the grace of giving, not only to the local work, but to missions also.

2. We must see to it that our churches have a right conception of stewardship, with the tithe as the minimum.

3. There is great need for more earnest appeals from our pulpits on the great subject of Foreign Missions.

4. Inform our church members on the facts and the great work of Foreign Missions. This can be done from pulpit, study courses, tracts, posters, etc. A mission study in each church will go a long way in bringing information and inspiration to our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

E. V. HUDSON.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The outlook was never brighter for our Sunday Schools. This is true throughout the Southland. The development of the modern Sunday School organization and its larger requirements has brought the Sunday School into closer relation with our church life. We conceive of a well organized and functioning Sunday School as a pastor helper. We believe no other organization in the modern church offers greater opportunity to a pastor to extend his ministry into his community than that offered by the properly manned and spirit-filled Sunday School of the present day.

There are 2,350 churches and 2,260 Sunday Schools in North Carolina. This Sunday School work is promoted by four fulltime workers furnished by our State Mission Board and the Sunday School Board jointly. 10,000 awards for teacher training were issued last year. 132 schools became standard.

Our Association has thirty-six churches and a Sunday School in every church. The enrollment in our Sunday Schools exceeds the church membership by approximately 2,000. Eight of our schools have attained the Standard of Excellence as erected by our Sunday School Board. And all are steadily improving in the type of work being done. An industrial section like our own makes this phase of our Lord's work tremendously important. In many cases our Sunday Schools extend the only religious instruction offered to our boys and girls. Shall they perish within our midst?

Our Associational Sunday School organization is hardly two years old, yet what gains have been made? We deeply appreciate the fact that our more progressive Sunday School spirits can now find ways through our own denominational channels to extend the

blessings of the Sunday School to every border of our territory. The officers of this organization for the past year have been: K. L. Lineberger, Superintendent; W. S. Haynie, L. J. Waldrop, T. S. Summey, and J. T. Allen, Group Superintendents; Miss Erla Griffin, Secretary-Treasurer; Miss Lottie Bumgardner, Pianist; and Jennings Moss, Chorister. Under the direction of the above officers, quarterly meetings were held with a representative average attendance of above 600. Various phases of Sunday School work were presented and apparently well received. At the last of these meetings officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

Associational Superintendent—Clyde Moody, Mt. Holly.

Group Superintednents—Belmont-Mt. Holly, W. S. Haynie, Belmont; Gastonia, Miss Naomi Braswell, Gastonia; Dallas, T. S. Summey, Dallas; Cherryville, Ralph Sharpe, Cherryville.

Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Erla Griffin, Gastonia.

Pianist—Miss Virginia Beach, Cherryville.

Chorister—Jennings Moss, Gastonia.

We ask that the Superintendent be made Director of Sunday Schools of the Gaston County Baptist Association, and pray for whole-hearted co-operation in the work which these officers shall undertake.

Respectfully submitted,
K. L. LINEBERGER,
For the Committee.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT, GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 1930-1931

Receipts

Balance in the Treasury May 1, 1930,		$ 8.85
Deposits:		
10-11-1930	$ 40.14	
10-15-1930	25.57	
10-21-1930	32.50	
10-24-1930	16.50	
10-25-1930	60.40	
11- 7-1930	6.50	
11-13-1930	7.05	
Total Deposits	$188.66	$188.66
Grand Total		$197.51

Disbursements

10-28-1930—M. O. Thornburg, Clerk, Salary	$ 25.00	
10-30-1930—M. O. Thornburg, Clerk, Expense	10.00	
10-28-1930—Check returned	3.00	
3-16-1931—Loftin & Co., Printing Minutes	159.51	197.51
Balance on hand April 1, 1931		0.00

M. O. THORNBURG, Clerk. J. R. ROLLINS, Treasurer,

GASTON COUNTY B. Y. P. U. REPORT

In reviewing the B. Y. P. U. work for the past year, we find a wonderful growth in efficiency and effectiveness.

All four Districts have held their meetings quarterly with splendid programs, also good attendance in most every meeting.

A successful "Study-course month" during March was held in which a large number of our unions participated.

The Annual Convention was held with the Dallas Baptist Church first Sunday and Monday in June with twenty-nine churches represented.

Rev. E. S. Summers, of Concord, delivered the annual address and Rev. R. G. Mace preached the annual sermon.

The keynote of this Convention was "Making the B. Y. P. U. Effective."

A number of our local young people and pastors appeared on the program.

The Convention officers elected are as follows: J. P. Thomas, President; Bro. Bryan Hurd, Vice-President; Miss Naomi Braswell, Jr. Int. Leader; Miss Ruby Jenkins, Sec.-Treas.; Bro Jennings Moss, Chorister; Miss Virginia Beach, Pianist; Bro. Winston Crawford, Gastonia Dist. V.-President; Bro. Geo. Stroupe, Dallas Dist. V.-President; Bro. Leslie Bookout. Cherryville Dist. V.President; and Bro. Bryan Hurd, Belmont-Mt. Holly Dist. V.-President.

The next Convention meets with the East Belmont Baptist Church first Sunday and Monday in June, 1932.

Our Associational B. Y. P. U. won the State Efficiency Banner for North Carolina in the State Convention Assembly at Ridgecrest.

A few of our churches let their B. Y. P. U.'s die during the summer, but all these have been re-organized except one, and plans are under way now trying to re-organize this one also. Some churches have organized unions since their report.

The Associational B. Y. P. U. has the following goals for this year's work, viz.:

1. 25 per cent increase in membership.
2. Retaining the record of 100 per cent of the churches with one or more unions.
3. Rededicating our lives to God in and through the church.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. THOMAS.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our State has made rapid strides in training the masses of its future citizens. That this is the duty of the State no one would deny, or even question. The State can never rise above its average citizen. Therefore, it behooves our State to give its future citizens the best training within its power.

At the same time, no denomination can afford to leave entirely to the State the training of its preachers, missionaries and other denominational leaders for the simple reason that religion does not lie within the province of the State. The Constitution of the United States declares for the complete separation of church and State. Our Baptist preachers, missionaries and other leaders need to be as specifically trained as do leaders in the various professions and business life of the State. Hence our distinct Baptist schools such as Wake Forest, Meredith, Chowan, Mars Hill and Campbell colleges. There are other Baptist schools in our State—Boiling Springs, Wingate and others. We also have four South-wide schools—Louisville Seminary, Southwestern Seminary, Baptist Bible Institute and the W. M. U. Training School at Louisville.

To all these schools we must look for more than 90 per cent of our future leaders, preachers and missionaries. To us must these schools ever look for their support—support in sympathy, in students and in money. Their work and service in the past and the present merit our most loyal support.

We, therefore, recommned:

First, That we co-operate with our State and Southern Baptist Conventions in keeping before our people the merits, the service, and the needs of our Baptist schools by utilizing the special day set apart for this purpose.

Second, That we keep a sharp look-out for the best Baptist boys and girls we have graduated from our high schools and turn them towards our Baptist colleges. They need them and our young people need these colleges.

Third, That, owing to the fact that Boiling Springs Junior College is not organically connected with our State Convention in its system of schools, we withdraw all promised financial and organic support

from it pledging at the same time our moral and sympathetic support to Boiling Springs Junior College.

Respectfully submitted,
JULIUS W. WHITLEY,

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

There are four outstanding moral problems to which the church should give attention during coming year: Divorce, Prohibition, Sabbath desecration, and disrespect for law.

I. Prohibition

Prohibition, which unfortunately, has become the outstanding political issue, is also a grave moral and social problem and Christian people ought to face it as such, taking a definite stand regardless of party preference. Many arguments are being brought against prohibition, none of which will stand before sound reasoning, and the masses of the people are so easily influenced that it behooves the Lord's people to mold a public sentiment that will withstand the attacks of the enemies of prohibition. It is argued that business will be helped by repeal of 18th amendment, but, according to history, the only business that will be helped is the devil's business. Whiskey, Satan's greatest ally, will be legalized again in United States if the forces of evil can make it so. Whiskey is the father of crime, the mother of poverty. The poor are made poorer and the wicked are made desperate. If whiskey is necessary it can not be evil; if it is evil, it can not be necessary.

II. Disrespects for law

Obedience to laws of land is a mark of good citizenship. There is a growing lack of regard for law. Men are choosing which laws they will obey. Punishment is certain only for the poor. Leading employes of the State and prominent officers, many of them, have little regard for (speed) law. Public carriers, bus drivers for instance, licensed by State, ignore the speed law, and are in turn ignored by officers. With the officers selecting which laws they will enforce, and on whom they will enforce them, and the people obeying only the laws that suit their convenience, are we not breeding anarchy? Our churches must mold a sentiment that will save our nation or we will be another Russia.

III. Sabbath Desecration

There seems to be a serious lack of respect for Sabbath as a holy day and the church people love to have it so. The greatest bulwark of the church is being broken down, the safe-guard of future religion is being lost. The observance of the Sabbath is certainly a Scriptural teaching, but is it a church member practice?

IV. Divorce

The law of marriage is Divine as well as legal. The future welfare of both church and State depends largely upon the home. We believe there are many good homes, secure marriages, and always will be, but for divorce to be commercialized as some States have done is a black spot on our nation. Reno, with her divorce machine, is a disgrace to the nation and an insult to both church and State.

We raise the question, would not other States be justified in refusing to recognize divorce granted in those mills? Else why have marriage laws in our State at all? We hasten the day when these United States of ours will have uniform marriage laws, and divorce can be obtained only on Scriptural grounds.

RUSH PADGETT,

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Moderator, R. G. Mace; Vice-Moderator, J. J. Beach; Clerk, John A. Wilkins; Treasurer, Jno. R. Rollins.

Associational Auxialiaries

Director of B. Y. P. U., J. P. Thomas;
Director of S. S., Clyde Moody, Mt. Holly;
President W. M. U., Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mt. Holly;
Member State Mission Board, J. W. Whitley;
Delegate State Convention, W. A. Hoffman;
Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention, E. V. Hudson;
Hospital Representative, W. J. Francis;
Orphanage Representative, D. P. Dellinger.

J. W. WHITLEY,
W. L. WALTERS,
M. L. BARNES,

We, your Committee, recommend the following as Executive Committee:

Gastonia District—B. A. Bowers, J. W. Whitley;
Belmont District—R. G. Mace, Mrs. W. J. Francis, Bryan Hurd;
Dallas District—W. T. Baucom, C. E. Phillips;
Cherryville-Bessemer City District—C. J. Black, David P. Dellinger.

NAOMI BRASWELL,
M. P. RHYNE,
F. M. HUGGINS.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Your Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for the meeting of the Association for 1932 submit the following:

Time—Wednesday and Thursday after the 3rd Sunday of October, 1932.

Place—East Belmont Baptist Church.

Preacher—Rev. F. M. Huggins.

R. B. SUGGS,
L. J. WALDROP,
L. A. BARBEE,

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S WORK

The Woman's part in missionary work has called out of their secret places many good women who have been responsible in sending many good influences around the world.

We meet today to compare the experiences of the past and the present and be guided by them as to our future progress in all of the organizations which the W. M. U. fosters. Stanley Jones, in writing of Jesus, says, "Down every pathway you will come to that Man." He alone gives true quality and quantity to our work. There was much good done through the organized personal service in our Missionary Societies, and 48 conversions were reprted as having come directly from this. There have been 22 Mission Study Classes reported for the past year and the number of awards and seals was 400.

The Young People met with the Dallas Baptist Church for their annual meeting on July 3rd. The program was far beyond the average and deserves much praise and thankfulness for the good work they are rendering in our Association through the missionary organizations. Most of our churches were represented and the attendanc was good.

The number of new Societies organized last year 10; number of meetings held 9; number of Societies visited 14; number of postals and letters written 409; miles travelled 1,117. Our apportionment for the year was $8,200.00; amount reported paid was $5,443.05. It was my pleasure to have been able to attend the State W. M. U. meeting, which met on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd of March with the First Baptist Church of Gastonia, and the S. B. C., which met in Birmingham, Ala. I want to thank each and everyone who had a part in making the work what it was during the past year; your loyal co-operation, your prayers, and support are what made the work what it was. I commend all the officers for the coming year to your care, pray for them, sympathize with them and co-operate with them. I want to thank the pastors for what you have meant to the W. M. U. Work of this Association.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. W. J. FRANCIS.

IN MEMORY OF OUR DEAD

Since our association met one year ago those named below have been called from time to eternity. "They rest from their labors and their works do follow them—"

BELMONT EAST:
- Mrs. D. L. Simpson
- Mrs. J. I. Duncan
- Mrs. Sarah Crumpton
- Mr. J. E. Mullis
- Mr. Paul Johnson

BELMONT, FIRST:
- Mrs. H. J. Johnson
- Mrs. Nannie Ferguson
- Mr. W. H. Stowe— Deacon and Clerk

BESSEMER CITY:
- Mr. B. M. Tennyson, Dea.

CHERRYVILLE:
- Mrs. John A. Stroup

CRAMERTON:
- Mrs. L. P. Baker
- Mr. Hunter Grey Levan
- Mr. W. F. Stegall

GASTONIA, EAST:
- Mrs. Thomas Miller
- Mrs. Amanda Mauney
- Mrs. S. E. Glover
- Mrs. S. A. Lynn

DALLAS:
- Mrs. L. M. Hoffman
- Mr. J. Alonzo Rhyne

GASTONIA, FIRST:
- Mrs. W. W. McLean
- Mr. J. H. Taylor
- Mrs. W. N. Bell

GASTONIA, FLINT GROVE:
- Mr. W. R. Cox
- Mr. H. G. Scott
- Mrs. Mary Wallace
- Mrs. Sarah Porch

GASTONIA, LORAY:
- Mrs. W. P. Waters
- Mrs. D. H. Cobb
- Mrs. M. E. Scruggs
- Mrs. S. L. Smith
- Mr. S. Settlemeyer
- Mr J. C. Paysour
- Mr. J. Miller Jenkins
- Mr. A. T. Saunders

GASTONIA— SOUTH MARIETTA ST.
- Mrs. L. V. Finger
- Mr. J. H. J. Cluttz
- Mrs. Ila West

IN MEMORY OF OUR DEAD

Since our association met one year ago those named below have been called from time to eternity. "They rest from their labors and their works do follow them—"

GASTONIA TEMPLE:
- Mrs. Mattie Badger
- Mr. Worth Hill

HARDIN:
- Mr. Clyde Bumgardner

HICKORY GROVE
- Mr. R. B. Abernathey
- Mrs. A. A. Hovis
- Mrs. Alice Abernathey

HULLS MEMORIAL:
- Mrs. Venie Taylor

LONG CREEK MEMORIAL:
- Mrs. T. C. Payne
- Mrs. J. D. Derr
- Mr. Dock Halloway
- Mrs. B. A. Leagon
- Mrs. C. B. Bruington

LOWELL, FIRST:
- Mrs. A. E. Clemmer
- Mrs. A. J. Helton
- Mr. J. W. Hansell, Dea.
- Mr. J. J. Samm
- Mrs. Letha Usery
- Mrs. Henry Usery

McADENVILLE:
- Mrs. Collie Fite
- Mrs. Rob. Lee Hoffman
- Mrs. Rebecca Kerley
- Mr. Vince Coley
- Miss Katie Lineberger

MT. BEULAH:
- Mrs. David Mitchum

MT. HOLLY, FIRST:
- Mrs. V. P. Lay
- Mrs. A. Z. Mayberry
- Miss Mamie McCollough
- Mr. J. A. Wilson
- Mr. J. W. Bumgardner

RANLO:
- Mrs. A. E. Watson
- Mrs. Julia Alexander

RIVERSIDE:
- Mrs. Loyd Weaver
- Mr. W. A. Martin

SHADY GROVE:
- Mrs. James Rayfield

ORDAINED MINISTERS HOLDING MEMBERSHIP IN THE CHURCHES OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

B. F. Austin.....Pastor, E. Gastonia
Clarence Baker.....Member, Cramerton
J. M. Ballard.....Member, Alexis
P. S. Barber.....Member, Gastonia, Pinkney Sta.
M. L. Barnes.....Pastor, Mt. Holly
H. W. Baucom.....Pastor, Gastonia, Victory Sta.
W. T. Baucom.....Pastor, Dallas
J. J. Beach.....Pastor, Cherryville
Dr. C. J. Black.....Pastor, Bessemer City
G. G. Bowen.....Member, Cramerton
Dr. B. A. Bowers.....Pastor, Gastonia
Ed. Brown.....Pastor, Dallas, R. 1
C. P. Bumgardner.....Member, Gastonia
D. F. Burchfield.....Member, Gastonia, Pinkney Sta.
W. G. Camp.....Member, Cherryville
T. L. Cashwell.....Pastor, E. Gastonia
M. G. Cloer.....Member, E. Gastonia
C. F. Comstock.....Member, Lowell
J. E. Chronister.....Member, Stanley
Geo. W. Davis.....Pastor, Gastonia
E. S. Grice.....Member, Lowell
J. A. Hallman.....Member, Vale No. 3
G. C. Harris.....Pastor, Rock Hill, S. C.
W. A. Hoffman.....Pastor, W. Gastonia
Dr. E. V. Hudson.....Pastor, Cramerton
J. A. Hudson.....Pastor, Gastonia, Pinkney Sta.
F. M. Huggins.....Pastor, Belmont
W. F. Huggins.....Member, Alexis
G. C. Ivery.....Member, Gastonia
R. A. Kelly.....Pastor, Belmont
A. A. Lackee.....Pastor, Mt. Holly, R. F. D.
J. S. Lazenby.....Member, Gastonia
Raymond Long.....Member, Gastonia
R. G. Mace.....Pastor, Belmont
Rufus Mayberry.....Member, Lowell
W. B. McClure.....Pastor, Alexis
George Mullis.....Member, Mt. Holly
Rush Padgett.....Pastor, Lowell
J .B. Payne.....Pastor, High Shoals
C. E. Phillips.....Pastor, Dallas
D. F. Putnam.....Pastor, Shelby

L. G. Redding.....Member, Gastonia, Victory Sta.
W. H. Redmond.....Pastor, Kings Mountain
M. P. Rhyne.....Pastor, Dallas
W. W. Rimmer.....Pastor, Cornelius
J. W. Sinclair.....Pastor, Kings Mountain, R. 2
S. M. Stroup.....Pastor, Alexis
Lester Thomas.....Member, Mt. Holly
Lee Wacaster.....Member, Cherryville
J. J. Waldrop.....Member, Vale No. 3
W. L. Walters.....Pastor, Gastonia
D. C. Wesson.....Pastor, McAdenville
Dr. J W. Whitley.....Pastor, Gastonia

AUXILIARY LEADERS

W. M. U. LEADERS

Alexis.....Miss Mamie Rhyne, R.2, Dallas
Belmont, East.....Mrs. W. Nichols, Belmont
Belmont, First.....Mrs. R. B. Suggs, Belmont
Bessemer City.....Mrs. W. A. Lindsay, Bessemer City
Centerview.....Mrs. F. M. Huggins, Belmont
Cherryville.....Mrs. J. J. Beach, Cherryville
Cramerton.....Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton
Dallas.....Mrs. J. W. Summey, Dallas
Gastonia, Calvary....Mrs. J. G. Stephenson, Pinkney Sta., Gastonia
Gastonia, First.....Mrs. H. B. Moore, Gastonia
Gastonia, Flint Groves.....Mrs. B. F. Austin, E. Gastonia
Hardin.....Mrs. J. J. Friday, R. 1, Dallas
Hickory Grove.....Mrs. L. H. Abernathy, R. F. D., Mt. Holly
Lowell, First.....Mrs. Rush Padgett, Lowell
McAdenville.....Mrs. Harris, McAdenville
Mt. Beulah.....Mrs. W. B. Elam, R. 5, Lincolnton
Mt. Holly, First.....Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mt. Holly
Ranlo.....Mrs. C. H. Bumgardner, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia
Sandy Plains.....Mrs. J. C. Miller, R. 2, Lowell
Tuckaseege.....Mrs. G. E. Blankenship, Mt. Holly
Woodlawn.....Miss Ida Campbell, Art Cloth Sta., Lowell

B. Y. P. U. DIRECTORS

Alexis.....Mr. Claude Bynum, Iron Station
Belmont, East.....Mr. Lucius Warren, Belmont
Belmont, First.....Mr. W. J. Francis, Belmont
Bessemer City.....H. G. Daniels and A. H. Kincaid, Bessemer City

Bethel.....Rev. H. W. Baucom, Victory Sta., Gastonia
Bruington.....Mr. J. V. Lineberger, Stanley
Centerview.....Miss Grace Pressly, Acme Mill, Belmont
Cherryville.....Mr. Leslie Bookout, Cherryville
Cramerton.....Mr. Y. E. Springfield, Cramerton
Dallas.....Mr. R. B. Lineberger, Dallas..
Gastonia, Calvary.....Mr. P. S. Barber, R. 3, Gastonia
Gastonia, East.....Mr. J. S. Lazenby, Gastonia
Gastonia, First.....Miss Naomi Braswell, Gastonia
Gastonia, Flint Groves.....Mr. P. A. Cline, E. Gastonia
Gastonia, Loray.....Mr. Winston Crawford, Rear Vance, Gastonia
Gastonia, S. Marietta St...Mr. E. W. Teague, Wingate Mill, Gastonia
Gastonia, Temple.....Mr. S. B. Laws, Webb St., Gastonia
Hardin.....Mr. J. J. Friday, R. 1, Dallas
Hickory Grove.....Mr. J. R. Lineberger, Lowell
High Shoals.....Miss Ruth Yarborough, High Shoals
Long Creek Memorial.....Mr. T. S. Summey, Dallas
Lowell, First.....Mr. R. L. Reid, Lowell
McAdenville.....Mr. T. B. Thomasson, McAdenville
Mountain View.....Miss Ruth Hollifield, R. 3, Kings Mountain
Mt. Beulah.....Mr. A. M. Kiser, R. 1, Bessemer City
Mt. Holly, First.....Mr. Clyde Moody, Mt. Holly
Mt. Zion.....Miss Ruth Crowder, Cherryville
Ranlo.....Mr. W. M. McPherson, Gastonia
Riverside.....Mr. E. R. Bumgardner, R. 2, Lowell
Shady Plains.....Miss Laura Hoffman, R. 1, Lowell
Tuckaseege.....Mr. Anthony Lackee, Mt. Holly
Webbs Chapel....Miss Mary Etta Huffstickler, R. F. D., Lincolnton
Woodlawn.....Mr. W. P. Walker, Art Cloth Sta., Lowell

Y. W. A. COUNSELLORS

Belmont, East.....Mrs. R. G. Mace, Belmont
Belmont, First.....Miss Edna Grubbs, Belmont
Bessemer City.....Miss Ruth Wilson, Bessemer City
Centerview.....Miss Ollie Mae Meddline, Belmont
Cramerton.....Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton
Mt. Holly, First.....Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mt. Holly
Ranlo.....Miss Ruth Emory, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia

G. A. LEADERS

Belmont, First..Miss Pearl Abernathy, Miss Dorothy Rusher, Belmont
Bessemer City.....Mrs. T. E. Jackson, Belmont

Cramerton.....Miss Nan Shelton, Mrs. C. F. Martin, Cramerton
Dallas.....Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Dallas
Gastonia, First.....Mrs. E. R. Morgan, Gastonia
Hickory Grove.....Miss Rob Mae Flowers, R. F. D., Mt. Holly
Mt. Beulah..Mrs. Emma Drye and Mrs. A. M. Kiser, Bessemer City
Mt. Holly, First.....Miss George Grice, Mt. Holly
Ranlo.....Miss Sallie Mauney, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia

R. A. LEADERS

Belmont, First.....Mr. C. S. Kennedy, Belmont
Bessemer City.....Miss Kathleen Dobbins, Bessemer City
Dallas.....Mrs. W. T. Baucom
Gastonia, First.....Mrs. B. A. Bowers, Gastonia
Mt. Holly, First.....Mr. Julian Hall, Mt. Holly

SUNBEAM LEADERS

Belmont, East.....Mrs. Lela Rhinehart, Belmont
Belmont, First.....Mrs. J. H. Belk, Belmont
Bessemer City.....Mrs. Mildred Adams, Bessemer City
Centerview.....Mr. Burwell Grindstaff, Acme Mill, Belmont
Cherryville.....Mrs. Vernon Harrelson, Cherryville
Cramerton.....Miss Mamie Griffin, Cramerton
Gastonia, Calvary.....Miss Mildred Small, Pinkney Sta., Gastonia
Gastonia, First.....Mrs. Clyde McLean, Gastonia
High Shoals.....Miss Lois Lineberger, R. F. D., Lowell
Hulls Grove.....Mrs. T. B. Hull, Vale No. 3
Mt. Beulah.....Miss Inez Beam, R. 1, Bessemer City
Mt Holly First.....Mrs. N. E. Batchlor, Mt. Holly
Ranlo.....Mrs. Boyce Watson, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Churches	Pastors and Post Offices	Superintendents Sunday Schools Post Office
Alexis	S. M. Stroup, Alexis	F. W. Garrison, Alexis
Belmont, East	R. G. Mace, Belmont	J. B. Brown, Belmont
Belmont, First	R. A. Kelly, Belmont	D. P. Stowe, Belmont
Bessemer City	Dr. C. J. Black, Bessemer City	A. F. Briggs, Bessemer City
Bethel	H. W. Baucon, Gastonia	M. L. Capps, Bessemer City, R. 1
Bruington	W. W. Rimmer, Cornelius	Murray McKelvie, Stanley
Centerview	F. M. Huggins, Belmont	W. M. Harris, Belmont
Cherryville	J. J. Beach, Cherryville	J. T. Allen, Cherryville
Cramerton	Dr. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton	J. C. Martin, Cramerton
Dallas	W. T. Baucom, Dallas	R. T. Buckner. Dallas
Gastonia, Calvary	J. A. Judson, Gastonia, Pinkney Sat.	W. A. Marley, Gastonia, Pinkney Sta.
Gastonia, East	T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia	Boyd Warren, Gastonia
Gastonia, First	Dr. B. A. Bowers, Gastonia	M. O. Thornburg, Gastonia
Gastonia, Flint Groves	B. F. Austin, East Gastonia	A. L. Cline, Gastonia
Gastonia, Loray	Dr. J. W. Whitley, Gastonia	R. C. Martin, Gastonia, R. 4
Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	Geo. W. Davis, Gastonia	M. C. Sowell, Gastonia
Gastonia, Temple	W. A. Hoffman, W. Gastonia	Otto Perry, Gastonia, R. 4,
Hardin	Ed. Brown, R. 1, Dallas	J. J. Friday, Dallas, R. 1
Hickory Grove	W. B. McLure, Alexis	Warren Baker, Lowell, R. 1
High Shoals	J. B. Payne, High Shoals	F. U. Morris, Dallas, R. 1
Hulls Grove	G. C. Harris, Rock Hill, S. C.	T. B. Hull, Vale, R. 3
Long Creek Memorial	C. E. Phillips, Dallas	F. M. Paysour, Dallas
Lowell, First	Rush Padgett, Lowell	J. B. Freeman, Lowell
McAdenville	D. C. Wesson, McAdenville	B. H. Waters, McAdenville
Mountain View	W. H. Redmond, R. 4, Kings Mountain	J. A. Culberson, Kings Mountain
Mt. Beulah	W. G. Camp, Cherryville	L. A. Barber, Lincolnton, R. 5
Mt. Holly First	M. L. Barnes, Mt. Holy	J. D. Hobbs, Mt. Holly
Mt. Zion	D. F. Putnam, Shelby	W. C. Houser, Cherryville
Ranlo	W. L. Walters, Gastonia	W H. Noblett, Gastonia, Ranlo Sta.
Riverside	A. A. Lackee, Mt. Holly	J. R. Flowers, Lowell, R. 3
Sandy Plains	M. P. Rhyne, Dallas	W. E. Barnes, Gastonia, R. 3
Shady Grove	W. G. Camp, Cherryville	F. L. Mauney, Cherryville
Spencer Mountain	J. W. Sinclair, R. 2, Kings Mountain	A. B. Boozer, Lowell
Tuckaseege	A. A. Lackee, Mt. Holly	J. A. Guice, Mt. Holly
Webbs Chapel	M. P. Rhyne, Dallas	Carl Smith, Lincolnton, R. 5
Woodlawn	W T. Baucom. Dallas	Roy Lockridge, Lowell, Art Cloth Sta.

Churches	Treasurers and Post Offices	Clerk and Post Office
Alexis	F. B. Morris, Alexis	C. L. Abernathy, Alexis
Belmont, East	C. E. Lee, Belmont	E. W. Rodden, Belmont
Belmont, First	B. R. Suggs, Belmont	C. S. Kennedy, Belmont
Bessemer City	J. A. Ramsey, Bessemer City	J. R. Rollins, Bessemer City
Bethel	Ed. Wall, Gastonia, R. 4	M. L. Caps, Bessemer City, R. 1
Bruington	J. O. Smith, Stanley	F. H. Morris, Stanley
Centerview	W. S. Haynie, Belmont	C. C. Holtzclaw, Belmont
Cherryville	J. W. Kendrick, Cherryville	H. H. Allen, Cherryville
Cramerton	D. M. Ballard, Cramerton	R. L. Leeper, Cramerton
Dallas	E. B. Rhyne, Dallas	R. E. Cooke, Dallas
Gastonia, Calvary	O. J. Lyda, Gastonia, Pinkney Sta.	W. A. Marley, Gastonia, Pinkney Sta.
Gastonia, East	C. O. Long, Gastonia	M. T. Sanders, E. Gastonia
Gastonia, First	A. Froneberger, Gastonia	Herrick Brumley, Gastonia
Gastonia, Flint Groves	F. A. Smith, E. Gastonia	A. L. Cline, E. Gastonia
Gastonia, Loray	R. C. Blanton, Gastonia	Jno. P. Smith, Gastonia
Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	J. M. Kincaid, Gastonia	Leno Hawkins, Gastonia
Gastonia, Temple	I. N. Young, W. Gastonia	Otto Perry, Gastonia, R. 4
Hardin	A. A. High, Dallas, R. 1	Jno. F. Lynn, Dallas, R. 1
Hickory Grove	C. F. Linberger, Lowell, R. 1	C. F. Linberger, Lowell, R. 1
High Shoals	O. H. Dillard, High Shoals	J. T. Lackey, High Shoals
Hulls Grove	W. L. Cansler, Vale No. 3	T. B. Hull, Vale
Long Creek Memorial	L. W. Holland, Dallas	T. S. Summey, Dallas
Lowell, First	R. T. Harris, Lowell	H. H. Roberts, Lowell
McAdenville	C. E. Austin, McAdenville	Fred Hoffman, McAdenville
Mountain View	George Ricks, Kings Mountain	J. J. Hollifield, Kings Mountain, R. 3
Mt. Beulah	W. B. Elam, Lincolnton, R. 5	M. L. Black, Bessemer City, R. 1
Mt. Holly First	W. A. Autry, Mt. Holly	T. L. Ware, Mt. Holly
Mt. Zion	C. J. Dellinger, Cherryville	W. C. Houser, Cherryville
Ranlo	A. C. Warlick, Gastonia, Ranlo Sta.	M. L. Mashburn, Ranlo Sta.
Riverside	E. R. Bumgardner, Lowell, R. 2	W. A. Paysour, Lowell, R. 2
Sandy Plains	Henry Motten, Lowell, R. 1	W. E. Barnes, Gastonia, R. 3
Shady Grove	D. M. Witherspoon, Cherryville	D. R. Stroup, Cherryville
Spencer Mountain	C. Y. Smith, Lowell	C. Y. Smith, Lowell
Tuckaseege	L. W. Stafford, Mt. Holly	Kenneth Bumgardner, Mt. Holly
Webbs Chapel	W. R. Huffstetler, Lincolnton, R. 5	F. B. Carpenter, Lincolnton, R. 5
Woodlawn	D. O. Ragan, Lowell, Art Cloth Sta.	S. A. Cloninger, Lowell, Art Cloth Sta.

TABLE I. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC., GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, OCTOBER 30, 1931

CHURCHES	Location	When Constituted	Sundays of Preaching	Members Reported Last Year	MEMBERSHIP Additions: Baptisms	Additions: Letter	Additions: Statement	Additions: Restoration	Losses: Letter	Losses: Exclusion	Losses: Erasures	Losses: Death	Total Present Membership	Prayer Meetings	Revivals Held	Obs. of Supper	Subs. to State Paper
Alexis	V	1903	1 3	174	8	11	....	....	3	....	....	....	190	No	1	1	7
Belmont, East	T	1912	*	410	142	38	....	4	29	2	....	5	557	Yes	1	4	....
Belmont, First	T	1874	*	437	17	20	8	4	34	....	14	3	462	Yes	1	4	48
Bessemer City	T	1898	*	452	13	21	3	3	22	3	....	1	466	Yes	....	4	8
Bethel	V	1926	*	54	38	4	....	7	7	1	17	....	78	Yes	2	4	....
Bruington	T	1891	1 3	224	40	17	2	1	8	....	....	1	275	Yes	1	1	5
Centerview	V	1921	*	283	10	21	....	....	7	7	....	....	300	Yes	1	1	2
Cherryville	T	1893	*	483	3	15	....	....	20	....	1	1	479	No	....	1	....
Cramerton	T	1911	*	439	81	34	....	2	39	6	....	3	509	Yes	2	1	16
Dallas	T	1879	*	230	1	9	....	....	9	....	....	1	230	Yes	1	4	50
Gastonia, Calvary	C	1920	*	435	5	19	....	4	24	3	....	....	436	Yes	1	4	6
Gastonia, East	C	1900	*	41	52	26	1	1	69	7	3	4	454	Yes	1	4	10
Gastonia, First	C	1876	*	921	51	64	4	....	75	3	....	3	938	Yes	1	4	....
Gastonia, Flint Groves	C	1923	*	297	14	20	4	....	14	4	....	4	313	Yes	1	3	2
Gastonia, Loray	C	1905	*	973	35	41	5	13	83	5	....	7	972	Yes	1	4	10
Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	C	1917	*	209	15	24	....	....	16	....	....	3	229	Yes	1	1	1
Gastonia, Temple	C	1926	*	351	67	48	9	....	25	....	....	2	448	Yes	2	3	4
Hardin	V	1922	1 3	97	2	2	....	....	4	....	....	1	97	No	1	....	....
Hickory Grove	O	1873	2 4	166	15	5	....	....	14	....	....	3	169	No	1	2	2
High Shoals	V	1902	1 3	140	10	9	2	....	15	3	1	....	142	Yes	2	1	....
Hulls Grove	O	1890	3	188	4	4	....	....	1	....	10	1	184	No	2	2	....
Long Creek Memorial	O	1772	*	373	32	23	4	....	12	....	....	4	416	Yes	2	2	10
Lowell, First	T	1893	*	387	35	14	1	1	2	....	....	6	430	Yes	2	4	....
McAdenville	T	1887	*	358	20	4	....	11	15	2	105	5	266	Yes	1	4	8
Mountain View	V	1928	*	43	6	2	5	1	1	3	....	....	53	Yes	2	2	....
Mt. Beulah	C	1916	2 4	159	2	11	....	....	20	....	....	1	151	No	1	2	4
Mt. Holly First	T	1890	*	508	58	45	....	....	8	....	....	5	598	Yes	1	2	20
Mt. Zion	O	1857	1 3	203	10	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	217	Yes	1	....	1
Ranlo	V	1919	*	352	9	23	....	1	16	....	....	3	365	Yes	2	....	....
Riverside	V	1927	1	76	12	1	....	....	....	....	....	2	87	Yes	1	2	....
Sandy Plains	O	1863	2 4	227	27	6	6	1	....	....	....	....	267	No	1	2	....
Shady Grove	O	1880	1 3	150	4	4	....	....	10	....	....	1	147	No	1	....	....
Spencer Mountain	V	1908	2 4	126	14	....	....	....	6	....	....	....	134	Yes	2	2	1
Tuckaseege	V	1912	1 5	193	27	8	....	1	18	....	....	....	211	Yes	1	2	1
Webbs Chapel	O	1892		76	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	66		....	....	....
Woodlawn	V	1928	*	77	....	17	....	....	6	....	....	....	88	Yes	1	2	....
Total				10312	883	614	54	55	632	49	151	70	11421		43	82	216

*Denotes full time preaching.

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, OCTOBER 30, 1931

CHURCHES	Officers & Teachers	Beginners, 3—5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Home Department	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance?	Schools Graded	Standard A1	Teachers Holding Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Mission Schools	Endollment Mis.	D. V. G. S.	Enrollment D. V. B. S.	Avg. Attendance
Alexis	15	15	20	29	28	34	33	...	....	160	91	1	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...
Belmont, East	58	48	79	127	62	108	120	50	...	614	....	1	...	8	100	...	...	...	...	...
Belmont, First	73	37	69	70	52	47	97	18	23	486	300	1	1	42	7	1	36	...	...	...
Bessemer City	48	44	60	48	44	124	185	117	40	710	298	1	...	35	11	1	30	...	...	...
Bethel	6	28	....	36	....	....	55	....	....	119	75	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Bruington	24	41	46	41	32	94	39	....	....	293	146	1	...	11	40	...	...	...	...	...
Centerview	19	11	20	42	56	53	38	....	....	239	175	1	...	3	8	...	...	...	...	...
Cherryville	32	32	73	54	49	101	85	19	18	463	197	1	...	17	2	...	...	...	...	...
Cramerton	58	25	88	74	99	166	99	29	75	713	382	1	1	31	81	...	...	...	...	...
Dallas	18	25	18	25	21	30	29	28	14	208	124	1	1	15	1	1	50	...	...	...
Gastonia, Calvary	21	15	64	66	46	32	150	25	....	419	295	....	....	6	5	....	....	....	....	....
Gastonia, East	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Gastonia, First	120	86	97	137	105	89	341	66	61	1102	672	1	1	55	40	...	...	1	185	137
Gastonia, Flint Groves	24	80	20	60	20	220	120	45	....	594	270	....	....	12	11	...	...	1	...	...
Gastonia, Loray	83	77	144	160	108	98	411	122	38	1241	514	1	1	60	35	...	...	...	...	...
Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	18	22	36	36	23	13	130	6	....	284	190	1	...	12	15	...	...	...	...	...
Gastonia, Temple	45	88	82	104	90	87	166	....	....	662	265	1	...	21	49	...	...	...	...	...
Hardin	10	....	32	10	12	70	37	....	....	171	138	1	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....
Hickory Grove	11	20	13	33	19	35	36	....	....	156	106	....	....	1	12	....	....	....	....	....
High Shoals	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	129	....	....	2	10	....	....	1	205	129
Hulls Grove	12	20	18	23	19	24	22	....	....	138	85	1	...	6	...	...	...	1	80	62
Long Creek Memorial	15	30	40	34	52	95	98	....	....	364	245	1	1	1	24	...	...	...	...	...
Lowell, First	48	34	64	....	132	....	179	17	....	474	240	1	...	10	28	...	...	...	...	...
McAdenville	27	39	50	75	50	47	103	82	68	537	260	1	1	17	20	...	...	1	150	100
Mountain View	19	15	19	25	21	17	28	22	....	166	80	1	...	2	....	....	....	....	....	....
Mt. Beulah	13	6	14	12	29	6	32	8	....	120	70	1	1	1	11	1	....	....	....	....
Mt. Holly First	40	21	94	117	85	80	120	....	....	557	325	1	...	20	40	1	102	...	...	...
Mt. Zion	27	8	8	24	16	21	23	4	....	131	91	1	...	9	10	...	...	...	...	...
Ranlo	26	44	53	70	51	47	112	....	....	377	225	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Riverside	14	13	20	19	8	16	34	16	....	134	89	1	...	6	12	...	...	...	...	...
Sandy Plains	8	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	200	121	....	....	....	25	....	....	....	....	....
Shady Grove	15	8	12	17	22	31	25	7	....	137	80	1	...	6	3	...	...	...	...	...
Spencer Mountain	13	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	99	98	....	....	....	14	....	....	....	....	....
Tuckaseege	11	8	21	27	15	44	61	7	....	194	....	....	....	....	....	16	....	....	....	....
Webbs Chapel	10	6	6	14	10	28	8	2	....	76	55	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Woodlawn	16	65	45	34	40	23	65	....	14	298	200	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total	1006	2017	1425	1643	....	1416	3081	684	351	12636	6631	....	....	431	680	....	218	....	620	428

TABLE III. CHURCH PROPERTY OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, OCTOBER 30, 1931

CHURCHES	When built	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Department Assembly Rooms	No. Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Mission Chapel	Value of Pastorium	Value of Church Property	Indebtedness on all Church Property	Insurance Carried
Alexis	1904	Wood	400	5	4	4	$ 2,000	.....	.....	$ 2,000	.....	.....
Belmont, East	1930	Brick	500	30	3	30	23,000	.....	2,000	25,000	8,000	15,000
Belmont, First	1910	B.-W.	500	14	14	14	28,000	.....	12,000	40,000	4,688	16,800
Bessemer City	1922	Brick	400	16	4	12	40,000	.....	.....	40,000	10,000	15,000
Bethel	1923	Wood	200	3	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bruington	1924	Brick	400	12	2	...	20,000	.....	3,000	23,000	6,827	9,000
Centerview	1929	Brick	1,000	14	...	14	10,000	.....	2,500	12,500	4,000	3,500
Cherryville	1921	B.-S.	600	23	4	21	80,000	.....	5,000	85,000	11,970	45,000
Cramerton	1920	Brick	500	8	3	10	55,000	.....	3,000	58,000	.....	25,000
Dallas	1914	Brick	600	6	5	5	20,000	.....	10,000	30,000	.....	10,000
Gastonia, Calvary	1923	Brick	475	11	2	9	20,000	.....	3,000	23,000	7,500	10,600
Gastonia, East	1900	Brick	600	...	...	...	40,000	.....	10,000	50,000	.....	.....
Gastonia, First	1923	Brick	1,392	26	7	40	250,000	.....	30,000	280,000	.....	102,000
Gastonia, Flint Groves	1924	Brick	1,000	12	2	12	14,500	.....	.....	14,500	4,700	10,000
Gastonia, Loray	1905	Wood	1,200	41	7	38	70,000	.....	20,000	90,000	.....	35,000
Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	1917	Brick	400	12	7	7	25,000	.....	.....	25,000	4,200	10,000
Gastonia, Temple	1928	Wood	400	...	6	31	9,000	.....	.....	9,000	3,000	15,000
Hardin	1930	Brick	400	2	2	...	7,000	.....	.....	7,000	1,600	3,000
Hickory Grove	1906	Wood	500	3	2	2	5,000	.....	.....	5,000	.....	3,500
High Shoals	1912	Wood	350	...	...	...	1,500	.....	.....	1,500	.....	.....
Hulls Grove	1900	Wood	500	6	...	6	2,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,500
Long Creek Memorial	1920	Brick	1,000	11	...	5	55,000	.....	2,500	57,500	5,400	12,000
Lowell, First	1928	Brick	600	22	4	17	42,500	.....	7,500	50,000	28,065	20,000
McAdenville	1887	Wood	400	9	14	14	5,000	.....	2,500	7,500	.....	6,000
Mountain View			.....	...	...	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Beulah	1917	Wood	400	9	9	8	5,250	.....	.....	5,250	.....	.....
Mt. Holly First	1924	Brick	1,000	30	2	30	65,000	.....	5,000	70,000	13,000	30,000
Mt. Zion	1903	Wood	400	10	2	3	5,250	.....	.....	5,250	.....	.....
Ranlo	1923	Brick	400	11	11	11	15,000	.....	3,500	18,500	4,000	11,700
Riverside	1927	Wood	300	1	...	10	2,500	.....	.....	2,500	.....	1,600
Sandy Plains	1875	Wood	500	4	3	3	2,000	.....	.....	2,000	.....	750
Shady Grove	1881	Wood	250	...	...	5	1,200	.....	.....	1,200	.....	.....
Spencer Mountain		Wood	300	...	...	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tuckaseege	1912	Wood	350	1	...	...	4,000	.....	1,500	5,500	68	.....
Webbs Chapel	1892	Wood	250	1	7	7	2,500	.....	.....	2,500	2,500	300
Woodlawn			.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total			18,467	354	136	387	$ 927,200	.....	$ 13,272	$ 985,700	$ 110,518	$ 528,250

All Churches own house of worship except Bethel and Spencer Mountain.

TABLE IV. GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION, BENEVOLENCES, GASTON COUNTY ASS'N, OCT. 30, 1931

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., B. Y. P. U., and W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing	All Other Objects	Total for Local Work Given by W. M. U.	Total for Local Work Given by S. S.	Total for Local Work Given by Church and All its Organizations.
Alexis	437.40	.....	5.73	100.00	42.00	92.70	.....	3.25	.....	3.29	78.70	733.43
Belmont, East	2,065.00	.....	100.00	2,891.01	626.29	486.90	60.00	.....	441.45	.....	486.90	6,670.65
Belmont, First	2,700.00	50.00	25.00	288.74	1,078.88	384.17	123.04	10.00	42.68	54.96	40.73	4,702.51
Bessemer City	2,079.00	.....	.....	2,390.16	392.61	255.00	75.00	4.00	260.41	.....	.....	5,456.18
Bethel	35.02	.....	.....	.....	26.68	30.57	.....	.50	.....	.....	.....	92.77
Bruington	497.89	.....	.....	398.00	240.00	170.00	.....	1.35	.....	.....	.....	1,307.24
Centerview	650.00	.....	257.00	228.43	144.00	125.60	12.45	3.00	30.00	.....	424.00	1,450.48
Cherryville	18.23	.....	28.00	1,348.38	217.45	254.11	2.00	12.00	.....	.....	369.05	3,684.94
Cramerton	3,000.00	.....	194.05	88.57	250.75	428.92	.....	.....	349.26	.....	707.95	4,311.55
Dallas	1,050.00	.....	50.95	493.31	255.81	236.58	.....	5.00	11.00	350.65	184.83	2,102.65
Calvary	780.82	.....	30.00	1,028.96	457.07	206.16	.....	12.00	.....	.....	.....	2,515.01
East	2,600.00	.....	.....	1,052.91	1,226.61	540.57	.....	15.00	.....	25.69	812.60	5,435.09
First	4,680.00	3,618.15	50.00	711.16	1,260.21	817.98	400.00	25.00	1,397.93	.....	2,181.13	12,510.49
Flint Groves	1,560.00	.....	104.25	815.94	359.19	115.44	78.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	3,135.37
Loray	3,000.00	.....	125.00	53.50	1,182.21	1,021.50	65.18	10.00	.....	3.00	138.30	5,457.39
S. Marietta St.	1,220.00	.....	70.00	429.26	223.49	180.00	.....	6.00	.....	.....	.....	2,129.25
Temple	1,560.00	.....	105.00	664.88	362.98	392.00	.....	5.00	150.55	.....	260.00	3,240.41
Hardin	200.00	.....	33.18	.....	14.65	35.59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	283.42
Hickory Grove	226.89	.....	49.00	.....	79.65	108.53	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	83.87	469.07
High Shoals	721.32	.....	200.31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	921.63
Hulls Grove	200.00	.....	35.02	.....	15.27	60.17	.....	1.00	.....	.....	75.44	311.46
Long Creek Mem	965.92	.....	26.50	742.44	534.10	131.55	32.00	.....	.....	.....	685.50	2,432.51
Lowell, First	1,851.20	.....	56.01	.....	212.00	142.84	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,262.05
McAdenville	1,550.00	.....	80.00	114.60	72.00	600.41	155.00	.....	167.73	.....	755.41	2,780.33
Mountain View	25.00	.....	17.32	.....	1.75	57.00	.....	1.50	.....	.....	.....	102.57
Mt. Beulah	313.76	.....	23.60	.....	50.29	40.42	.....	4.53	9.00	.....	.....	441.60
Mt. Holly First	2,600.00	.....	200.00	1,484.94	78.76	251.85	.....	.....	.....	274.63	678.36	4,515.55
Mt. Zion	500.00	.....	25.80	.....	7.00	61.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	57.00	594.08
Ranlo	1,560.00	.....	105.00	443.25	91.80	170.00	.....	5.00	212.40	13.00	308.20	2,587.45
Riverside	196.45	.....	40.00	20.95	109.03	57.09	13.75	2.52	75.00	75.00	182.39	514.79
Sandy Plains	446.14	.....	49.95	.....	92.25	.....	100.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	688.34
Shady Grove	276.00	.....	40.00	5.00	.....	57.75	.....	2.50	.....	.....	.....	381.05
Spencer Mountain	197.68	.....	55.00	11.25	109.19	56.75	3.00	.....	217.36	.....	.....	647.23
Tuckaseege	288.17	.....	96.44	134.70	.....	69.70	16.50	3.00	38.86	.....	55.36	647.37
Webbs Chapel	85.87	.....	38.05	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.50	.....	.....	.....	220.44
Woodlawn	950.00	.....	67.00	.....	10.40	318.49	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.40	1,345.89
Total	42,892.43	3,668.25	2,431.16	15,965.34	9,821.87	7,957.30	1,140.92	137.65	3.403,63	805.22	8,583.12	87,082.24

TABLE V. GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION, BENEVOLENCES, GASTON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Co-operative Program	Specials to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Special to Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Special to Christian and Ministerial Education	Special to Orphanage	Special Hospitals	Special to Old Ministers Relief	Other Special Gifts	Total For Co-operative Program and All Specials	Given by W. M. U.	Given by the Sunday School	Total to all Missions Education, Benevolence, Church and all Organizations	Grand Total All Gifts for All Purposes
Alexis	55.90	8.96		6.42	6.41	30.75	105.36	7.23		8.90	229.93	139.01	57.82	174.03	962.36
Belmont, East	598.35			3.75	4.20		187.41	13.66		1.80	709.23	65.60	187.41	210.88	7,379.87
Belmont, First	1,950.32					100.00	229.55	60.00	13.05	772.10	3,125.02	72.34	313.10	1,174.70	7,827.53
Bessemer City	88.50		28.05	13.25	27.00		117.35	10.25		43.25	341.10	125.00		252.60	5,797.28
Bethel			1.20	.30	1.50			1.85		7.90	12.75			12.75	105.52
Bruington															1,307.24
Centerview	15.10						8.03				23.13		8.03	8.03	1,473.61
Cherryville	500.68	6.00	22.77	22.00	41.50	12.28	267.40			14.00	886.63	342.69	213.41	385.95	4,569.57
Cramerton	459.43		37.80	189.55	19.30	59.75	211.66	84.75			1,062.24	412.63	483.40	602.81	5,373.79
Dallas	207.45			18.00	12.60	142.50	90.29	18.61		2.00	491.80	343.15	108.90	284.40	2,594.50
Calvary	37.31						32.70	18.17			88.18			50.87	2,603.19
East	306.15						154.04	26.01			566.20			180.05	6,002.19
First	9,329.97		266.91	170.00	425.60	791.90	913.50			1,651.51	13,549.39	4,116.51	1,211.28	4,219.42	26,079.88
Flint Groves					12.00						12.00			12.00	3,147.37
Loray	240.69		12.00	9.00	7.22	20.00	195.55	63.26		13.00	560.72	47.87	202.16	320.03	6,018.11
S. Marietta St.	168.25						50.34	17.40			235.95			67.74	2,365.20
Temple	60.00		57.00				60.00				177.00		60.00	117.00	3,417.41
Hardin															283.42
Hickory Grove	37.62	1.20	1.65	6.00	5.75		53.11	14.55		2.25	122.13	28.00	62.11	84.51	598.73
High Shoals															921.63
Hulls Grove	.85		11.00	10.40	.50		14.04				36.79	2.75	14.04	35.94	348.25
Long Creek Memorial			50.00				30.00				80.00			80.00	2,512.51
Lowell, First	66.36										66.36				2,328.41
McAdenville							116.31				116.31		116.31	116.31	2,896.64
Mountain View				4.90	4.10		4.50	3.83			17.35			17.35	119.92
Mt. Beulah			1.00	2.74	4.04	.80	11.64	6.83			27.05			27.05	507.23
Mt. Holly First	274.63						141.70				416.33	274.63	141.70	141.70	5,379.43
Mt. Zion	10.95				2.21		5.89	3.09			22.14		13.19	11.19	616.22
Ranlo	77.45									50.00	127.45	48.35		50.00	2,714.90
Riverside															514.79
Sandy Plains	29.94						33.45			2.50	65.89	25.00	33.45	35.95	754.29
Shady Grove			4.00	2.60	8.75		31.08	7.55	4.66		55.64		23.33	58.64	439.69
Spencer Mountain						16.45	20.85	8.23			45.63			45.53	692.76
Tuckaseege															647.37
Webbs Chapel							2.81				2.81			2.81	223.25
Woodlawn	33.02						5.00	12.25			50.27			17.25	1,413.56
Total	14,628.92	16.16	493.38	458.91	582.70	1,174.43	3,093.25	376.92	17.71		23,326.42	6,043.53	3,249.76	8,797.49	110,877.62

TABLE VI. B. Y. P. U.'s OF GASTON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. OCTOBER. 1931

CHURCHES	General Organization	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Standard Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrollment	No. in Study Course	Total Number Daily Bible Readers	Total Systematic Givers in all Unions	Students in College
Alexis	Yes	....	1	1	1	3	....	....	18	17	15	50	....	....	....	1
Belmont, East	Yes	1	1	2	3	7	....	20	20	53	59	152	69	59	98	1
Belmont, First	Yes	2	2	1	1	6	2	21	37	17	26	101	75	64	85	1
Bessemer City	Yes	....	1	3	3	7	7	....	34	60	63	157	105	90	105	....
Bethel	No	....	1	1	....	2	....	....	14	18	....	32	32	6	....	....
Bruington	No	....	1	....	1	2	....	....	13	....	10	23	....	7	12	....
Centerview	Yes	....	1	1	1	3	1	....	18	20	23	61	32	34	44	....
Cherryville	Yes	....	1	1	2	4	....	....	13	16	27	56	29	39	31	7
Cramerton	Yes	....	2	2	2	6	....	....	35	54	39	128	75	53	82	2
Dallas	Yes	....	1	1	1	3	....	....	5	14	10	29	15	13	18	....
Gastonia, Calvary	No	....	1	1	....	2	....	....	30	22	....	52	27	13	....	....
Gastonia, East	Yes	....	1	1	2	4	....	....	13	12	21	46	....	....	....	....
Gastonia, First	Yes	1	1	2	2	7	1	22	21	31	83	174	57	62	63	....
Gastonia, Flint Groves	Ne	....	1	....	1	2	....	....	20	....	30	50	15	....	21	....
Gastonia, Loray	Yes	2	3	4	7	16	16	36	50	42	83	211	196	144	161	6
Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	Yes	....	1	1	1	3	1	....	15	10	10	35	23	21	....	....
Gastonia, Temple	Yes	1	1	3	2	7	....	14	12	45	30	101	50	68	66	....
Hardin	No	....	2	....	....	2	....	....	20	....	....	20	....	....	....	....
Hickory Grove	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	....	13	12	19	12	56	16	19	19	....
High Shoals	No	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Hulls Grove	No	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Long Creek Memorial	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	....	17	21	31	31	100	40	48	57	....
Lowell, First	Yes	....	1	1	2	4	....	....	20	34	33	87	20	23	33	....
McAdenville	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	....	12	20	20	38	90	45	33	46	....
Mountain View	No	....	1	....	....	1	....	....	15	....	....	15	....	....	....	....
Mt. Beulah	No	....	1	....	1	2	....	....	18	....	8	26	4	3	9	1
Mt. Holly First	Yes	1	2	1	2	6	3	9	22	14	14	59	43	47	51	3
Mt. Zion	No	....	1	1	....	2	....	....	19	14	....	33	....	11	26	....
Ranlo	Yes	....	1	1	2	4	....	....	30	30	35	95	40	35	45	....
Riverside	No	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Sandy Plains	Yes	1	1	1	....	3	....	14	12	14	....	40	28	16	17	....
Shady Grove	No	....	....	1	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Spencer Mountain	No	....	1	....	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Tuckaseege	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	....	25	32	13	15	85	31	12	32	....
Webbs Chapel	No	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Woodlawn	Yes	1	1	1	2	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total		14	37	35	44	131	31	203	609	620	715	2164	1076	920	1103	22

TABLE VII. WOMAN'S WORK OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, OCTOBER, 1931

CHURCHES	No. W. M. S's.	Number of Y. W. A.'s	Number of G. A.'s	Number of R. A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Total Org.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A. Members	G. A. Members	R. A. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members	Enrolled in Mission Study Courses
Alexis	1					1	12					12	
Belmont, East		1			1	2		20			23	43	
Belmont, First	1	1	2	1	1	6	45	15	29	10	17	117	120
Bessemer City	1	1	2	1	1	6	28	12	13	8	20	81	30
Bethel													
Bruington													
Centerview	1	1			1	3	8	10			15	33	
Cherryville	1				1	2	32				15	47	
Cramerton	1	1	2		1	5	31	20	35		12	98	54
Dallas	1		1	1		3	18		7	4		29	12
Gastonia, Calvary	1				1	2	10				20	30	
Gastonia, East	1		1		1	3							
Gastonia, First	1		2	1	1	5	200		23	10	53	286	144
Gastonia, Flint Groves	1					1	40					40	
Gastonia, Loray	1				1	2	30				26	56	28
Gastonia, S. Marietta St.													
Gastonia, Temple													
Hardin	1					1	11					11	
Hickory Grove	1		1		1	3	8		10		10	28	
High Shoals													
Hulls Grove													
Long Creek Memorial											7	18	12
Lowell, First	1				1	2	11						
McAdenville	1					1	38					38	
Mountain View													
Mt. Beulah	1		1			3	10		19		9	38	18
Mt. Holly First	1	1	2	1	1	6	73	24	23	14	19	153	
Mt. Zion													
Ranlo	1	1	1		1	4	35	13	21		22	91	
Riverside													
Sandy Plains	1					1	20					20	
Shady Grove													
Spencer Mountain													
Tuckaseege	1					1							
Webbs Chapel													
Woodlawn	1					1	14					14	9
Total	22	7	15	5	15	64	674	114	180	46	268	1283	427

HISTORICAL

Year	Where Held	Preacher	Moderator	Clerk
1919	Gastonia First	D. F. Putnam	H. B. Moore	David P. Dellinger
1920	Long Creek Memorial	T. H. King	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1921	Cherryville	T. M. Kester	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1922	Cramerton	T. M. Kester	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1923	Loray Gastonia	E. C. Andrews	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1924	Mount Zion	J. O. Fulbright	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1925	Alexis	W. T. Baucom	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1926	Flint-Groves	O. W. Triplett	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1927	Hickory Grove	J. J. Beach	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1928	Gastonia, Marietta St.	T. L. Cashwell	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1929	Mt. Holly	Dr. B. A. Bowers	R. G. Mace	M. O. Thornburg
1930	Bessemer City	R. A. Kelly	R. G. Mace	M. O. Thornburg
1931	Lowell First	B. F. Austin	R. G. Mace	J. A. Wilkins

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Gaston County Baptist Association."

Object

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel (as we hold it) to the people within the bounds of the Association, and so co-operate with the Baptist State Convention.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall consist of the officers of the Association, pastors of the churches in the Association, and Messengers from the churches. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers and one additional messenger for every 100 members or fraction thereof over and above 200 members and also one additional messenger for every five thousand dollars or fraction thereof, contributed to the cause of the two conventions.

Officers

Article 4. The Officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Modrator, a Treasurer and a Clerk, all of whom shall be elected each year, by the Association at its Annual meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The duties of the officers shall correspond to the duties of the same officers in like organizations, or as defined by the Association from time to time.

Boards and Committees

Article 5. The Association shall elect an Executive Committee each year whose duties shall be to look after having the Gospel preached in all parts of the Association, and to attend to all business of the association between the sessions and to make such reports as they deem advisable at the annual meeting of the Association. The Association may appoint or elect such other Boards or Committees from time to time as circumstances may require.

Time of Meeting

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually, on Wednesday after the Third Sunday in October. The Moderator may at the request of the Executive Committee change the time or the place of meeting of this Association when it may be deemed by him not expedient to meet at the time or place appointed.

Vacancies

Article 7. The Moderator in concurrence with the Executive Committee may fill any vacancy occurring between meetings of the Association.

Amendments

Article 8. This Constitution may be amended at any regular session of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the number enrolled on the first day of the Association.

By-Laws

No By-Laws Adopted: The Association follows Kerfoot's Rules of Order for Parliamentary authority.

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Wednesday Morning

9:30—Worship—M. L. Barnes.
9:45—Enrollment.
10:00—Religious Literature—E. V. Hudson.
10:15—Stewardship—T. L. Caswell.
10:45—Evangelism—B. A. Bowers.
11:15—Sermon—W. G. Camp.
12:00—Adjournment and Dinner.

Wednesday Afternoon

1:00—Worship—F. M. Huggins.
1:15—Missions:
State—W. L. Walters.
Home—W. T. Baucom.
Foreign—R. A. Kelley.
3:00—Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

Wednesday Evening

7:30—Training Activities:
B. Y. P. U.—30 minutes.
Sunday Schools—R. M. Stroup, 30 minutes.

Thursday Morning

9:30—Worship—B. F. Austin.
9:45—Benevolences:
Hospitals—30 minutes—W. A. Hoffman.
Orphanage—30 minutes—D. P. Dellinger.
Ministerial Relief—30 minutes—J. A. Hudson.
11:15—Woman's Work—Mrs. M. L. Barnes.
11:45—Miscellaneous.
12:00—Adjournment and Dinner.

Thursday Afternoon

1:00—Worship—G. W. Davis.
1:15—Historical Report—F. M. Huggins.
1:45—Our Schools—C. J. Black.
2:15—School of Missions—D. C. Wesson.
2:30—Treasurer's Report.
2:35—Executive Committee's Report.
2:45—Obituary—C. E. Phillips.
3:00—Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

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R. G. Mace, Moderator.....Belmont, N. C.
W. A. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator.....Gastonia, N. C.
J. A. Wilkins, Clerk and Treasurer.....Gastonia, N. C.
William H. Farris, B. Y. P. U. Director.....Gastonia, N. C.
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W. J. Francis, Hospital Representative.....Belmont, N. C.
Clyde Moody, Sunday School Director.....Mt. Holly, N. C.
Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Director of Woman's Work.....Mt. Holly, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

R. G. Mace, Belmont, N. C.; Clyde Moody, Mt. Holly, N. C.; Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mt. Holly, N. C.; D. P. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.; W. J. Francis, Belmont, N. C.; Dr. B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.; W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.; E. H. Biggerstaff, Bessemer City, N. C.; and the Director of B. Y. P. U. Work to be elected by Executive Committee.

The Association has no paid employees.

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES TO REPORT IN 1933

Religious Literature.....Dr. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.
Stewardship.....T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia, N. C.
Evangelism.....Dr. B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.
State Missions.....W. L. Walters, Gastonia, N. C.
Home Missions.....W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.
Foreign Missions.....R. A. Kelly, Belmont, N. C.
B. Y. P. U. Director.....To be elected by Executive Committee later.
Sunday Schools.....Clyde Moody, Mt. Holly, N. C.
Hospitals.....W. A. Hoffman, Gastonia, N. C.
Orphanages.....D. P. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.
Ministerial Relief.....J. A. Hudson, Gastonia, N. C.
Woman's Work..... Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mt. Holly, N. C.
Historical Report.....F. M. Huggins, Belmont, N. C.
Denominational Schools.....Dr. C. J. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.
School of Missions.....D. C. Wesson, McAdenville, N. C.
Obituary.....Dr. C. E. Phillips, Dallas, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL AUXILIARIES

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S. S. Director, Clyde Moody, Mt. Holly, N. C.

President, R. M. Stroupe, Mt. Holly, N. C. Secretary, Miss Erla Griffin, Gastonia, N. C. Director, Clyde Moody, Gastonia, N. C.

W. M. U. ....

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Hospital Representative, W. A. Hoffman, Gastonia, N. C.

Orphanage Representative, D. P. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.

The Association has no Baptist Institutions within its bounds and is not identified with any.

Standing Committees, none.

The Associational Meetings of the W. M. U., Sunday School and the B. Y. P. U. are not held with the Associational Meeting.

The Association does not have a laymen's movement.

Motto: Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.—Col. 4:12.

(Adopted at the organization of the Association, November 4, 1919.)

LIST OF MESSENGERS, 1932 SESSION

ALEXIS—D. P. Bynum, Mrs. D. P. Bynum, C. H. Senter, C. R. Bradshaw.

BELMONT, EAST—Rose E. Rhodes, W. G. Rumfelt.

BELMONT, FIRST—

BESSEMER CITY—B. E. Carpenter, Frank Baxter.

BETHEL—

BRUINGTON—S. A. Stroupe.

CENTERVIEW—B. H. Black, E. S. Auten, H. W. Skidmore, L. T. Lowery.

CHERRYVILLE—Mrs. H. H. Allen, Mr. H. H. Allen, David P. Dellinger.

CRAMERTON—Mrs. W. E. Blanton, Mrs. E. V. Hudson.

DALLAS—James Summey, Ruth Summey, W. T. Baucom, Mrs. A. A. Adams, Mrs. B. E. Ratchford.

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GASTONIA, EAST—W. T. Long, M. T. Saunders, Jr., C. W. Cloninger, J. P. Saunders.

GASTONIA, FIRST—

GASTONIA, FLINT GROVES—Mrs. J. F. Reep, Luther Russell, R. R. Carpenter, J. L. Brackett, A. L. Cline.

GASTONIA, LORAY—

GASTONIA, SOUTH MARIETTA STREET—

GASTONIA, TEMPLE—Hazel Dellinger, Mrs. Joe Bryant, W. H. Huggins, James Huggins.

HARDIN—Pauline High.

HICKORY GROVE—Myrtle Abernathy, James R. Lineberger, L. M. Flowers.

HIGH SHOALS—Mrs. C. H. Correll, C. P. Abernathy, W. R. Irvin.

HULLS GROVE—

LONG CREEK MEMORIAL—B. M. Holland, Thos. D. Summey, Mrs. Roscoe Lay, Mrs. Bealer Holland.

LOWELL FIRST—Mrs. Ida Hoffman, Mrs. Homer Price, Mrs. C. C. Reid, Mrs. R. L. Helderman.

McADNEVILLE—B. H. Watson, P. R. Clanton, Mrs. George Rankin, Grace Hall.

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MT. HOLLY—Mrs. M. L. Barnes, J. S. Grady, W. W. Skidmore, Mrs. Geo. R. Grice, S. J. Skidmore.

MT. ZION—Dwight Beam, W. C. Houser, C. L. Crowder, Ross Beam.

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SPENCER MOUNTAIN—C. Y. Smith, J. H. Wright, D. L. Rollins.
TUCKASEEGE—J. A. Grice, M. L. Stafford, J. M. Beach.
WEBBS CHAPEL—C. W. Carpenter.
WOODLAWN—Amos D. Grant, Mines Richardson.

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PROCEEDINGS

of the

GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with the

EAST BELMONT BAPTIST CHURCH

BELMONT, N. C.

FIRST DAY

Wednesday, October 19, 1932, 9:30 *A. M.*

1. The Association was opened with a song. Rev. W. W. Rimmer led in singing "He Leadeth Me." The invocation was by Dr. C. J. Black.

2. Dr. C. E. Phillips led the devotional, reading Mark 22:26 and using as his subject "Have Faith in God."

3. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. R. G. Mace, for the transaction of business. W. L. Walters and L. G. Redding were appointed as an Enrollment Committee.

4. There was a motion that the Association proceed to business awaiting the report of the Enrollment Committee. The motion was unanimously adopted.

5. There was a motion that the Order of Business be changed so that the Every Member Canvass would be taken up at the Wednesday afternoon session and the time extended to 45 minutes for this report and that the B. Y. P. U. Report be transferred to the Wednesday evening program. The motion was unanimously adopted.

6. It was moved and seconded that the Association hear from Bro. B. K. Mason, of the Biblical Recorder. The motion was unanimously adopted and Bro. Mason made an urgent appeal to the members of the Association to give The Recorder the support it deserves.

7. The Report on Religious Literature was read by Rev. J. A. Hudson. The report was unanimously adopted without discussion.

8. Rev. M. L. Barnes read the Report on Religious Education. There was a motion to adopt the report and Bro. Barnes was recognized for discussion of the report. Bro. Barnes yielded the floor to Bro. Lumpkin, of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, who discussed the report. Bro. W. J. Francis was also recognized and discussed the report briefly.

9. The Sunday School Report was read by Bro. Clyde B. Moody. There was a motion to adopt the report and Bro. Moody was recognized for discussion. Bro. Moody yielded the floor to Bro. T. L. Cashwell who read the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION

Whereas, every local Baptist church is interested in making our Sunday School Standard just as efficient as possible;

And, whereas, The Sunday School is not an independent organization but a vital auxiliary of the church itself and should contribute to every other phase of our church work;

And, whereas, every item of the Standard of Excellence should tend to strengthen the church services;

And, whereas, as the Standard now for the Primary Department permits the pupils to leave before the morning worship thus educating them to think that the Sunday School is the main service of the church, and at the same time leading them to discount the morning worship and the preaching of the unsearchable riches of grace and also the men of God who preach;

And, whereas, we spend the rest of the time during their lives to perusade these same people when they reach the Junior age and till death that they should remain for the morning worship;

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we humbly and most sincerely petition the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention to place in the Standard of Excellence for the Primary grades the attendance upon the morning worship as one of the requirements.

2. That we,as an Association, memorialize the North Carolina State Baptist Convention, at its next session to approve such an amendment in the Standard requirements and that the Convention give is suppor in securing same.

Brother Moody introduced Bro. Ben F. Favel, member of the Pritchard Memorial Church, Charlotte, North

Carolina, who brought the Association an inspiring message on Sunday School work.

Brother T. L. Cashwell was recognized and further discussed the report.

The report was unanimously adopted.

There was a motion to adopt the resolution presented by Bro. Cashwell and it was adopted unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that Dr. B. A. Bowers be appointed a committee of one to memorialize the Sunday School Board as provided in the resolution offered by Brother Cashwell. The motion was unanimously adopted.

10. The following Committees were appointed by the Moderator:

Place and Preacher—D. C. Wesson, Geo. W. Davis, W. A. Hoffman.

Nominating Executive Officers—W. L. Walters, W. G. Camp, A. A. Lackee.

Order of Business—Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Myrtle Abernathy, Dr. J. W. Whitley.

To nominate Executive Committee—M. L. Barnes, W. W. Rimmer, Palmer Biggerstaff.

11. The Moderator recognized visitors to the Association.

12. Song: "How Firm a Foundation."

13. Brother F. M. Huggins delivered the Associational Sermon, using as his text Matt. 23:8.

14. Benediction by Dr. J. W. Whitley.

15. Lunch.

Wednesday Afternoon Session, 1:00 *P. M.*

16. Songs: "Onward, Christian Soldiers" and "There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood."

17. Devotional led by Bro. W. J. Francis, reading Romans 13 and using as his subject "Respect for Law."

18. Prayer led by Bro. R. A. Kelly.

19. It was moved and seconded that the Order of

Business be changed so as to exchange places on the program between Reports on Public Morals and Temperance and the Report on Hospitals and that the time for the Report on Hospitals be extended to 30 minutes. The motion was unanimously adopted.

20. It was moved and seconded that Wednesday evening's program be rearranged so that the Report on Woman's Work would precede the B. Y. P. U. Report and that the Report on Woman's Work be given 50 minutes and the B. Y. P. U. Report 30 minutes. The motion was unanimously adopted.

21. Rev. R. A. Kelly read the Report on the Every Member Canvass and Dr. C. J. Black presided during the reading and discussion of this report. There was a motion to adopt the report and Bro. Kelly was recognized for discussion. Brother Kelly yielded the floor to Bro. T. L. Cashwell, incoming Chairman of the movement. Brother Cashwell called on Bro. J. A. Hudson and Bro. B. F. Austin who gave evidence of the benefit derived by their churches from the Every Member Canvass.

Brother Cashwell brought an inspiring message on the scriptural authority for giving and financial support of the church. The report was unanimously adopted.

22. The Committee on Enrollment reported 131 delegates and pastors present, representing 34 churches and 62 visitors, including visitors from 7 other Associations.

23. It was moved and seconded that the Reports on State Missions and on Home Missions be read together and the discussions combined. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Brother F. M. Huggins read the Report on State Missions and motion was made and seconded to adopt it.

Brother C. J. Black read the Report on Home Missions and motion was made and seconded to adopt the report.

The Moderator recognized Bro. Huggins, who yielded the discussion to Bro. M. A. Huggins, Acting Secretary of the Home Mission Board, who brought a burning message on the subject of "Stewardship."

The Reports on State Missions and Home Missions were unanimously adopted.

24. Bro. J. A. McMillan, Manager of the Mills Home, was recognized. Bro. McMillan said that a large number of recent visitors at the Mills Home from the Gaston Association would tell about the Home at Thursday's session and that he was yielding his time to their report.

25. Song: "Throw Out The Life Line."

26. Bro. W. L. Walters read the Report on Hospitals. It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted and Bro. Walters was recognized for discussion. Brother Walters introduced Bro. G. T. Lumpkin, Superintendent of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, who made a stirring appeal for support to the Baptist Hospital.

27. Brother W. T. Baucom, representing the Committee appointed at the Associational B. Y. P. U. meeting, presented to the Association a constitution which had been adopted at the B. Y. P. U. meeting for approval. Upon motion duly seconded, the report was unanimously accepted.

28. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

29. Benediction by Rev. W. L. Walters.

Wednesday Night Session, 7:30 *P. M.*

In the absence of the Moderator and the Vice-Moderator, Bro. W. L. Walters presided.

30. Songs: "God Will Take Care of You" and "Bringing In The Sheaves."

31. Invocation by Brother J. D. Moose.

32. The Report on Woman's Work was read by Mrs. M. L. Barnes. There was a motion duly seconded to adopt the report and the program was turned over to Mrs. Barnes.

Song by East Belmont Sunbeams: "Jesus Wants Me For A Sunbeam."

Mrs. B. A. Bowers was recognized to speak of the Royal Ambassador Work and spoke interestingly, using

as her subject "Royal Ambassadors and Kingdom Building."

Song: Choir of the First Baptist Church of Belmont, "Jehovah Reigns."

Mrs. Barnes introduced Miss Frances Tobiola, a former Italian Catholic, converted at the Tampa Good Will Center, Tampa, Florida, and now a Senior at Limestone College, Gaffney, S. C. Miss Tobiola brought a burning message on the subject "Have You Magnified Christ?"

The report was unanimously adopted.

Song: Choir of the First Baptist Church of Belmont.

33. Brother J. P. Thomas read the Report on B. Y. P. U. Work. There was a motion duly seconded to adopt the report and Bro. Thomas was recognized for a discussion of the report. Bro. Thomas discussed the report briefly and then introduced Rev. M. L. Barnes, who brought an inspiring message on the value of B. Y. P. U. Work.

Special song: Miss Mary Skidmore and Mr. Lester Thomas, of the First Baptist Church, Mt. Holly, "It Pays To Serve Jesus."

The Report on B. Y. P. U. Work was unanimously adopted.

Announcements.

Adjournment.

Benediction by Rev. A. A. Lackee.

Thursday Morning Session, 9:30 *A. M.*

34. Meeting was opened with a song: "In The Cross."

35. Invocation by Rev. W. W. Rimmer.

36. Devotional by Rev. W. G. Camp, reading the 1st Psalm.

The Moderator recognized Bro. Lowell Barnett, new Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lowell, N. C.

37. Report on Public Morals and Temperance was read by Rev. B. F. Austin. There was a motion to adopt the report and, after discussion by Bro. Austin, the report was unanimously adopted.

38. Report on Orphanages was read by Rev. W. W.

Rimmer. There was a motion to adopt the report and, after discussion by Bro. Rimmer and Dr. C. J. Black, the report was unanimously adopted.

39. The Report on Ministerial Relief was read by Bro. D. P. Dellinger. There was a motion to adopt the report and, after discussion by Brother Dellinger, the report was unanimously adopted.

40. The Moderator called for a Report on Foreign Missions by Dr. B. A. Bowers. A motion was made that Dr. Bowers be allowed to hand in a report later for publication in the Minutes of the Association and that Dr. Bowers bring a message to the Convention on Foreign Missions as originally contemplated by the Committee on Order of Business. The motion was unanimously adopted.

41. The Report of the Committee on Nomination of Officers was read by Rev. W. L. Walters.

The report was unanimously adopted.

42. The Report of the Committee on Order of Business was read by Dr. J. W. Whitley.

The report was unanimously adopted.

43. Song: "Higher Ground."

44. Sermon by Dr. B. A. Bowers on Foreign Missions. Dr. Bowers read as our Scripture lesson Matt. 28:16-20.

Benediction by Dr. Bowers.

Adjournment—Dinner.

Thursday Afternoon Session

45. Song: "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder."

46. Devotional by Rev. Lowell Barnett, reading the 23rd Psalm.

47. Prof. Hamrick, of Boiling Springs Junior College, was recognized and made an appeal to the Association for support to the denominational schools.

48. The Moderator recognized Misses Mamie Haggard, Dollie McCurdy and Lester Watson, from South

Mountain Institute. Each told the Association briefly something of the work of the institution.

49. The Historical Report was called for and Dr. J. W. Whitley gave a short talk on the History of the Association but submitted no written report.

50. Solo by Mr. Arrowood, of Boiling Springs Junior College: "My Task."

51. Report on the Church Schools of Missions was read by Mrs. E. V. Hudson. Motion was made to adopt the report and Mrs. Hudson was recognized for discussion. Mrs. Hudson discussed the work briefly and then introduced Rev. D. C. Wesson and Rev. M. L. Barnes, each of whom had conducted a school during the year. Each spoke briefly of the work done in the school he conducted.

The report was unanimously adopted.

52. Report of the Treasurer.

53. A motion was made to allow the Minutes of the Associational Meeting on Woman's Work to be printed in a special section of the Associational Minutes, the pro rata share of printing costs to be paid to the Treasurer of the Association by the Woman's Work Organization. The motion was unanimously adopted.

54. The Moderator called for a Report from the Executive Committee. There was no report.

55. Report on Obituaries was read by Rev. W. T. Baucom. The report was unamimously adopted without discussion.

56. Miscellaneous.

Rev. B. F. Putnam was recognized and gave an interesting sketch of the History of the Baptiist Church and the Association covering the past 40 years.

A motion was made by Bro. B. F. Austin, seconded by Bro. F. M. Huggins that the Association extend its thanks to the East Belmont Church for entertaining the Association. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Bro. J. J. Beach was recognized and thanked the Asso-

ciation for its prayers and remembrances at the 1931 meeting when he was desperately ill.

Report of Committee to Nominate Executive Committee read by Rev. M. L. Barnes.

The report was unanimously adopted.

Report of Committee on Time, Place and Preacher by Rev. D. C. Wesson.

The report was unanimously adopted.

Dr. B. A. Bowers presented a resolution drawn by a Committee from the Pastors' Conference as follows:

A RESOLUTION

Whereas, there are thirty-one (31) Associations within the bounds of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention not having representation on the General Board, and

Whereas, we believe the interests of the Kingdom will be better served if all our people have a voice in the management of the Convention by having representation on the General Board,

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Gaston County Baptist Association in session assembled at the East Baptist Church, in Belmont, on October 20, 1932, that we memorialize the North Carolina Baptist State Convention at its next session,

1. That the Constitution of the Convention, Article V, Section 1, prescribing the manner of the election of members to the General Board, be so changed that it will provide proper representation to all of the Associations.

2. That if it is necessary to elect members to the General Board on an Associational membership basis to prevent having too large a membership on the Board and to keep the cost of calling a meeting to a minimum, that certain of the Associations may be combined for this purpose and larger ones have additional representation.

3. That in the event of combining the membership of smaller Associations for this purpose, the representative from the section shall alternate between the bodies he represents.

4. That the membership elected to the General Board from the Associations shall be nominated to the Convention by the Association, or Associations, to be represented.

R. G. MACE, for the Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted and ordered spread upon the Minutes.

A motion was made and seconded that the Moderator

and the Chairman of the Committee present the resolution to the Baptiist State Convention. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Bro. B. F. Putnam was recognized and expressed his appreciation for the many kindnesses shown him by the Association and the individual members during his recent illness.

Bro. Redding was recognized and expressed his thanks to the Association for kindnesses shown him during his recent illness.

Motion was made and seconded that the Report of the Executive Committee be printed in the Minutes. The motion was unanimously carried.

There was a motion made and seconded to have a paper recently read by Dr. J. W. Whitley at the Pastors' Conference, concerning the type of special singers desired in the Association, be printed in the Minutes of the Association. The motion was unanimously adopted.

A RESOLUTION

Gastonia, N. C., Sept. 12, 1932.

Whereas, There has been some confusion from time to time in regard to the Gaston County Singing Convention which meets every fifth Sunday;

And, Whereas, we pastors are vitally interested in everything connected with the worship in our churches and especially the music in our church desiring it to be worshipful and helpful in every way;

And, Whereas, There has been at times a tendency on the part of some to use the Convention to advertise certain types of song books;

And, Whereas, There has been some levity, to put it mildly, projected into some of the sessions of the Convention by outsiders who seemingly do not have the best interest of the Convention at heart;

And, Whereas, The time of the meeting of the Convention vitally affects all our churches and especially the twenty-one which have preaching every Sunday in the month;

Therefore, be it resolved:

First, That we, the Pastors of the churches of the Gaston County Baptist Association, do most sincerely and most earnestly ask the Convention to confine its meetings to the afternoons of the fifth Sundays since that will not interfere or break into our church services very much.

Second, The objects of the Convention be confined to the fostering of the highest type of song books to be used in our Baptist churches and to encourage better singing in all our churches.

Third, That the choirs, quartettes, trios, duettes, and solos of our own local Baptist churches be given preference over all visiting choirs, quartettes, trios, duettes, and solos from other churches outside of our Convention. That outsiders may be invited to sing, but never at the expense of time which should be given to our own local singers.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our Minutes, a copy be sent to each officer of the Convention, that a copy be sent to each pastor and choir leader, that they be presented to the next session of the Singing Convention and also to the Gaston County Baptist Association.

Approved by the Association Oct. 20, 1932.

Adjournment.

Benediction by Rev. W. T. Baucom.

J. A. WILKINS, Clerk.

REPORTS

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

During the past year the work of our Baptist Hospital has suffered very greatly because of the unprecedented conditions facing our people. Retrenchment has been necessary in the matter of operating expenses and at the same time there has been an ever increasing number of urgent appeals coming in from every section of North Carolina. With normal conditions upon us many of these appeals could be turned down and those seeking admission under the same conditions advised to attend local hospitals for treatment. To do this now would in many cases mean the loss of life and the breaking up of homes, adding increased sorrow and possibly flooding other institutions with our unfortunate.

What shall we do with such conditions as these facing us? All realize the necessity for extending the hand of helpfulness to the needy as did Jesus when He walked among men. Most of our people plead personal poverty. For our churches we claim inability to go beyond the borders of our own community. What is the answer to this problem?

We point with pride to the splendid work being done by our own Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem. With its greatly reduced operating expenses it has greatly increased its usefulness to our people in this hour of great need and suffering. During the past year a total of 3,025 persons were treated and of this large number 1,944, or nearly two-thirds of the total, were either part pay patients or altogether charity. This work of charity cost approximately $60,000.00, or $5,000.00 monthly, or almost $7.00 for every hour of every day and night of the entire year.

This unusual drain upon the Hospital with reduced income brings it to the close of its year in debt. Something must be done. Our people must take this work upon their hearts and must be more liberal in their support of it or those in charge must learn to turn the deaf ear to urgent appeals of suffering North Carolina Baptists. Can we afford to plead poverty at the expense of the lives of those of our people in need?

Your committee submits the following recommendations:

1. That our people make a more careful study of the work and needs of our North Carolina Baptist Hospital.

2. That we acquaint our friends and neighbors outside our own members with its fine corps of physicians and workers, its splendid equipment and the very fine record it has made in comparison with other like institutions.

3. That we urge our own people who need hospital treatment and who are able to pay for same that they attend our Baptist Hospital and thus help in its support and prove their loyalty to the Master and our own institution which so much needs help.

4. That we further remind our churches sending patients to the Hospital that they pay $1.50 per day for their care.

5. That more time and attention be given to the making of the special "Mothers Day Offering" for the Hospital in our Sunday schools sufficiently large to care for any deficit in the charity fund.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. WALTERS,
Committee.

PUBLIC MORALS AND TEMPERANCE

Morals and temperance are twin virtues and are as the historic twins: Either they live together or they die together.

Our nation seems to be imperiled by an immoral gangrene, which is eating at the very citadel of its life. If we were to apply the thermometer in our test, we would find that the nation's temperature is alarmingly low for spiritual things, while its fever is extremely high for worldly things. One baseball game can draw a crowd of 50,000. The last game in the World series was played on Sunday and broadcast over the National hook-up. Who ever heard of 50,000 people attending a religious service?

THE HOME

The very foundation of our moral structure is the home. The American homes are going to pieces at a tremendous rate. The people are standing by with arms folded, and preachers with mouths closed while the homes are being dashed to pieces on some hidden rock or treacherous shoal in the matrimonial sea.

In 1876 there were 14,800 divorces.

In 1896 there were 42,937.

In 1916 there were 112,036.

In 1926 there were 175,495.

At this rate God could only know and man could guess what it would be in 1936. Recently a young man, not over 30, attained a nation wide reputation by being arrested after he had married the thirteenth time, and he could not remember the names of some of his wives. God save us from this awful blight.

THE SABBATH

One of God's moral laws that he has placed about us is the

Sabbath. We have become notorious for breaking it. The ways by which we break the Sabbath are too numerous to mention, but a few will suffice; such as sports and games, pleasure seeking, open business, etc.

LAW

Another sign of our moral decay is our lack of enforcement of law and our disregard for the law. We are not morally strong enough to enforce the eighteenth amendment, much less withstand the evils of its repeal.

TEMPERANCE

Temperance, like all other great movements for the betterment of the human race, has met its foes. While on the other hand it has and will have its friends among the better classes of people.

One of the outstanding victories for temperance is the eighteenth amendment. Some people advocate its repeal in order to counteract the depression. This is as straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel. People seem to forget that since the enactment of the eighteenth amendment, our nation has enjoyed one of the greatest periods of prosperity that has ever come to any nation. If prohibition is the cause of hard times, then England, France, Germany and all other nations of the world must have it. Since we have had prohibition in our nation we have built one of the best systems of roads in the world, and many more people own their homes than ever before. New and better schools have appeared as if by magic. A tree is known by its fruits. Some of our leading politicians have charged "lowliness, corruption, hypocrisy, crime and disorder to prohibition, but in the lanugage of another, "It is easy to make statements like this but wholly impossible to prove them." Anyone who would advocate the repeal of the eighteenth amendment is speaking from a political standpoint—his pocketbook or his stomach. In any event, not from the heart. God has said in His Word, "Look not upon the wine when it is red. When it giveth his color in the cup. When it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." (Prov. 23:31-32). "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." (Prov. 21:1).

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. AUSTIN.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has attained splendid success since its organization 14 years ago. But it is still new to many of our people. The board paid during 1931 benefits totaling over $211,000.00. Of this sum $132,000.00 was paid to relief beneficiaries and $78,000.00 to participants in the Annuity Department. In March of this year the relief benefits were reduced from $132,000.00 to $100,000.00. This was due to the inability of the Board to make up the lack of gifts from the churches from its reserve.

The Relief and Annuity Board is supposed to receive seven per cent. of the South-wide benevolences. As a matter of fact only three and one-half per cent of the gifts of our people for South-wide causes actually gets to the Relief and Annuity Board. This is due to the fact that so many of our people designate their gifts and so little of it is designated to this most important cause.

The present membership of the Annuity Fund (old) is 1,499. Of these 1,288 are active or paying members, 122 are aged or disability annuitants. There are also 78 widows and seven orphans receiving annuities. The Board's assets as of December 31, 1931, were $3,844,667.20. There are additional resources from which the earnings are being sent regularly to the Board of approximately $160,000.00. Thus making the total resources in excess of $4,000,000.00.

WHEREFORE, we urge that every member fully inform himself as to the great and noble work of this Board, and its needs; that every church be informed and as a unit see to it, to the limit of its ability, that full and ample provision be made for this most worthy of all our causes. For it might be truthfully said that the little we have done in the past is but a sad and impressive example of the manner in which an ungrateful host of Baptists is wont to reward those noble men who strive to make known the truth of God, and devote their lives to His service.

Faithfully,

DAVID P. DELLINGER.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

While we have no outstanding accomplishments to report, the Sunday School work in the Gaston Association has made much progress during the past year, and is pushing steadily onward in the work of the Kingdom.

Although the county-wide work is not yet three years old, the Sunday School Association having been organized March 9, 1930, our

people are becoming more interested as they gain a fuller knowledge of its various functions.

There are 2,313 Sunday Schools in North Carolina Baptist churches, and there are 50 churches that do not have Sunday Schools. The number of members in these schools is 363,406, or a gain of 7,643 over the previous year. There are 125 Standard Schools, and 10,000 awards were made to workers who completed prescribed courses of training.

Our Associaiton has 36 churches, with a Sunday School in every church so far as we are able to learn. There are also several mission schools in the Association. Eight of our schools have attained the Standard of Excellence as erected by the Sunday School Board, and taken as a whole our Sunday Schools are doing a superior type of work.

February 1-5 was observed as Associational Study Course week, and at this time many of the schools held training classes. Others who could not find it convenient at this time, held their training schools sometime during the year. Most of the schools cooperated in this phase of the work.

Quarterly meetings were held in each of the four districts with the following churches, Cramerton, Flint Groves, Bessemer City and Dallas. Large audiences were present at each of these meetings, and various phases of the work were presented by able talent ,and were attentively received.

At the Dallas meeting on October 9th, officers for the new year were elected as follows:

Associational Director—R. M. Stroupe, Mount Holly.

Group Superintendents—Belmont-Mount Holly, B. H. Waters, McAdenville; Gastonia, Miss Naomi Braswell, Gastonia; Dallas, T. S. Summey, Dallas; Cherryville, Ralph Sharpe, Cherryville.

Secretary-treasurer—R. L. Reid, Lowell.

Pianist—Miss Elizabeth Martin, Cramerton.

Chorister—Lester Thomas, Mount Holly.

Our Sunday Schools have accomplished wonderful things for the Master during the years that are past, and we feel that under His guidance, we are entering upon a future filled with brilliant prospects for effective work in the teaching service of the church.

Respectfully submitted,

CLYDE B. MOODY.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

What is Christian education? What is there admissible in well-

ordered institutions that will characterize them and mark them as Christian in a worthy sense?

All schools are composed of plants, faculties, students, traditions and purposes. It cannot be said that moral and religious qualities lie in physical plants. The faculties of state schools are generally of so high moral tone, and frequently of so devout Christian life, that it would be manifestly unfair and even untrue to lay claims of being Christian schools on the ground of superior manhood and womanhood in faculties. This comparison would not hold good. Then the student bodies of all our schools come from the same homes or in the main from the same kind of homes. As I see it, the Christian schools cannot make any claims in physical equipment, faculties and students.

It seems to me that the only sure place to lodge an argument for Christian schools would be in the intangible but none the less powerful, direction of tradition and purpose. Many of our schools meet their objectives, as in their advertisements, they have a prime consideration in making expert farmers, mechanics, managers and professional men in order that the student may enlarge his place and increase his position in life.

That I may not be misunderstood, I am glad and happy to lay my tribute and appreciation on the altar of public state education, and only hope for it a growing definiteness and power in achieving its purpose.

THE PURPOSE OF CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

1. The purpose should be a better citizenship for the glory and safety of the state and then it should go further—the purpose should be also for the glory of God in Christ Jesus—Not only for the safety of the state but for the safety of the Kingdom of God.

2. To contribute, among other things, a stability in righteous ideals that will lead the lives of men surely to follow the gleam of the heavenly.

3. To point out and demonstrate the value of education as distinct from training. It is very largely to Christian education of the land to preserve the older cultural ideals of education in face of the clamor for training. Supreme emphasis upon training makes for Kaiserism, both in politics, in industry and in morals.

4. And finally, the greatest call of the Christian school is to lift up and interpret Jesus Christ as God's ideal man and man's ideal God.

I hold these to be the chiefest contributions our denominational schools can make to the civilization of our time and all time; for

the moral status of our people will rise or fall with the prevalence of old-fashioned Christianity.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. BARNES.

STATE MISSIONS

State Mission work was begun and is prosecuted in North Carolina in obedience to Christ's great commission. "And ye shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Acts 1:8. It is beginning at home with the message of life, and witnessing for Christ in all sections of the state, especially in those communities where the churches are weak, or where there are no churches at all.

While the task of witnessing for Christ in North Carolina is simple, it presents a varied aspect, and requires a different approach. In the eastern part of the state there are great areas without churches and without Christ. Here the need is for evangelism, the winning of the people to Christ and to the Baptist program of Christian service. In the western part of the state, where Baptist churches are numerous, the great need is for teaching, training and enlistment in the larger work of the churches. In the Piedmont sections of the state we have still another aspect. Our great industrial communities present a challenging opportunity of winning the people to Christ, strengthening the churches and establishing the members in the precepts and doctrines of the New Testament. The country churches in all parts of the state deserve the sympathetic and tactful service of our denomination. These little country churches are reservoirs of power in promofing God's kingdom. In some instances there might be consolidation, and in many others two or more churches might unite in a field, thus affording real pastorates to men called of God to preach.

Looking a little more intensely at the work of state missions, we find that the essential elements are worship, teaching, training and the imparting of missionary information and inspiration.

(1). Worship—The maintaining of spiritual worship in our churches is vital and fundamental to all missions, state missions included. State missions encourages worship in the churches. The last conventional year 86 missionary pastors were aided by the State Mission Board. These pastors preached 5,645 sermons, and were blessed in having 1,322 conversions in their churches, and baptized 737. This department, along with the others, has been greatly reduced in recent years.

(2). Teaching—In the great commission our Lord gave specific directions that His disciples should teach all the things He had commanded. Teaching is a vital part of state missions. This teaching is carried on by the pastors and churches which are aided by the Board, and also by the Sunday School Department of the State Mission Board. Mr. Perry Morgan, our efficient Sunday School secretary, in his corps of workers are a great missionary force in North Carolina.

(3). Training—We need more capable, consecrated and trained workers in our churches. So state missions foster our B. Y. P. U. work with Miss Winnie Rickett as the efficient secretary.

(4). Imparting missionary information and inspiration. This work is done through the work of the general secretary of the Board, by the distribution of religious tracts and information, not only about the need in our state, but in all our mission fields at home and in foreign lands.

The cause of state missions deserves a warm place in the hearts of North Carolina Baptists. We ought to give regularly and systematically to the Cooperative Program, and thereby provide adequate state mission funds to carry on the work, and pay off our debts. At this particular time, may we all pray earnestly for Divine guidance in the choice of a general secretary.

Furthermore, our churches in The Gaston should not forget to put on the suggested program on State Missions the last Sunday in this month, and take a special collection for State Missions and forward same to the acting secretary, M. A. Huggins, Recorder Building, Raleigh, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. HUGGINS.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

A noted physician, speaking on the importance of diet, once said, "We become what we eat". And if this is true regarding feed for the body, it is also true regarding food for the mind. Therefore, mentally, we become what we read. Our likes and dislikes, beliefs and convictions, and often our very character are determined by what we read. One's thinking is largely determined by his reading, for "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." Prov. 23:7. Especially is this true of our young people, whose minds are absorbent and hungry for mental food. And they are going to find something to read; and if wholesome literature is not accessable, they will be found devouring that which is not wholesome; therefore, it is im-

portant that they have placed before them the best reading matter that is available.

Now it is understood that every Baptist home should receive our own Baptist state paper, the Biblical Recorder; for without it we cannot be intelligently informed regarding the great work, we as Baptists, are doing in our own state, in the United States, and throughout the world. And every Baptist ought to be very vitally interested in every part of our work for Christ and His Kingdom, in every part of the world.

We should also keep in close touch with our orphan's home, by reading regularly the Charity and Children. But the above mentioned papers not only furnish information but inspiration; for no one can read these papers from week to week without having his soul stirred with their spiritual messages.

And with the children reading the "Junior Boy", "The Junior Girl", or the other weeklies published by the Sunday School Board; and the women reading "Home and Foreign Fields" and "Royal Service" we would readily see an increased interest in all phases of our work for the Lord, and also a greater interest in our own spiritual life.

In addition to reading our own religious papers we should also read some of those published by other evangelical denominations. This may be done by exchanging papers with a neighbor of some other faith. This practice would have a tendency to make us understand those of other faiths better; and most probably make us appreciate our own faith more.

A further suggestion would be that we have more religious books coming into our home. Books of Bible study, biographies of great religious leaders, Bible stories for the children, etc. Many times a single volume changes the entire future of an individual, for good or for evil. Write the Baptist Book Shop, Raleigh, N. C., for a new book list. Many good books may be had now at a very small cost.

But, above all, may we recommend a "Back to the Bible" movement. Let the Bible, God's inspired Word, have a place in your life, some attention in your thinking, a part of your time, and its rightful place in the home, the Sunday School and the Church. May a portion of it be read by each child of God every day; be a part of each daily devotion in the home; and let it be a basis for worship or study at every assembly in the House of the Lord.

And may we read it ,study it, and pray with Mary Ann Lathbury:

"Break Thou the Bread of life, Dear Lord to me,
As Thou didst break the loaves beside the sea;
Beyond the sacred page I seek Thee Lord;

My spirit pants for Thee, O living Word."

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. HUDSON.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGES

The Baptist Orphanage was first established at Thomasville 47 years ago with Brother J. H. Mills as its general manager. Later J. B. Boone became manager and about 27 years ago Brother M. L. Kesler was elected to this position, and served in this capacity until his recent home-going. Perhaps the institution sustained its greatest loss in his sudden death. Brother I. G. Greer is its present manager.

At present there are 500 children at the Mills Home, and 135 at the Kennedy Home, with 70 mothers and their 286 children being cared for through mothers aid. Many applications have been received each month and most of these are being turned down for the lack of room. Children are received from two to 12 years of age and their training runs through High School. They are given opportunity to do useful labor as well as work requiring skill. Those old enough to work go to school half the day and are on duty the other half.

The Orphanage depends upon the once-a-month offering from the Sunday Schools and a Thanksgiving offering for its support.

Therefore we recommend that every Sunday School set aside the collection of at least one Sunday in each month for the Orphanage. Second, that the Sunday Schools make a special effort to subscribe for enough copies of the Charity and Children as to provide a copy for each family repreesnted in the Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. RIMMER.

REPORT ON SCHOOLS OF MISSIONS

The Department of Mountain Missions and Schools was enlarged at the annual meeting of the Home Mission Board in June a year ago to include church schools of missions. In addition to looking after mountain schools Dr. J. W. O'hara has made special effort to inaugurate the new feature of church schools of missions. This is an attempt to secure church-wide effort, including all organizations, in study of State, Home and Foreign Missions.

The plan of organization for the Association is to have one elected to serve as the director of mission study. The director is to

keep the work before all churches, and to counsel with pastors in planning the church schools of missions. Two hundred and nineteen directors have been secured of the 912 Baptist associations. Reports have come from 17 associations, showing an enrollment of 4,741 in 47 churches. The interest is growing and pastors are awakening to the value and advantage of this method of mission study.

In our own Association two of our pastors, Mr. Barns and Mr. Wesson, have conducted very successful schools. At McAdenville the total enrollment was 65, and at Mt. Holly 107. Two other pastors plan to have their schools before the year is out.

"Our mission books are life if we could only feel in our hearts what we read with our eyes." On our mission fields today men and women are giving their lives to the missionary enterprise in a more real way than missionaries have been called upon to give for generations. Thinning lines of occupation, desperate measures to hold the work together when all support is failing, facing recall or staying at home with breaking hearts—these are the problems of missionary life today. Any mission study classes today is dealing with life, not books. What happens after we study a book will determine what happens to some missionary's life and work out yonder on the field.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. V. HUDSON.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission task is one of tremendous importance to Southern Baptists. No phase of our denominational program is more important than this. It is true that all of our work is so related that none of it can be dropped without making a great gap in the program, but with this in mind, we say that it is exceedingly important when we consider Home Missions, what it is, and why it is. It is a never ending task for our denomination.

Home Missions means the evangelization of the Southland and the regions around about. Its task reaches beyond that of our State Boards, and is different in many ways. To be specific about this matter, let us notice the program of work carried on by this Board.

1. The Board is carrying on mission work on the frontier, we mean New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, etc. The work here is largely among the Indians. Last year we had twenty-one workers among them. These earnest workers baptized 347. This was an increase of eighty-five over the previous year. This phase of our work is very encouraging indeed.

2. We also have missionaries among our Southern negroes. Here

we have done a wonderful work. We do not have but six workers here, but they have wrought well in their fields of labor. Last year they had 139 conversions with 355 baptisms. Their greatest work is not that of evangelism, but conducting training schools for the native preachers and church workers. Our missionaries have done a very great work along this line.

3. The Home Board has two missionaries among the 45,000 deaf mutes of the South. These are Dr. J. W. Michaels and Rev. A. O. Williams. Dr. Michaels has been with the Board for twenty-seven years and Rev. Williams five. Both have done exceedingly well when we consider the kind of work they are doing. They had one hundred and fifty-eight conversions last year with sixty-seven baptisms. This is much better than many of our pastors have done on fields where no natural impediment was in their way.

4. Possibly the most important mission point the Home Board has is that in Cuba. For many years Brother M. N. McCall has been conducting this work. He has had some very discouraging things to contend with, but in spite of these, he has carried the work forward in a very effective way. Our papal fields are the most difficult that we have. When people believe that they are right, it is hard to work them over. Such is the case in Cuba. The Cubans have a form of Godliness, but they deny the power thereof. We have forty-two Baptist churches in Cuba with a membership of 3,421, or an average of nearly eighty-two members to each church.

Possibly we had better make mention of the Bottom's Trust Fund in this report. This fund was to be used for the erection of a college building in Cuba, but with the financial depression we have had, the fund is not large enough to meet the emergency of the school and support it for the coming years. The fund now amounts to a little more than one hundred and sixty-three thousand dollars. An agreement is being made whereby the Board hopes to sell the lot the school was to have been erected on and the money derived therefrom used for the liquidation of the Board's indebtedness. If this plan works, the school idea will be abandoned indefinitely. This, no doubt, is the best solution of the whole matter.

5. For a number of years, the Board had been operating schools in the mountain sections of Kentucky, North Carolina, and other States. Dr. J. W. O'Hara reported schools in eleven States last year, fourteen schools in all. These schools last year had 1,976 students enrolled and 110 young ministers in training. We had 158 baptisms from these schools last year. The work is very promising in many ways, but the Board has decided that our mountain schools cannot be operated any longer as they have been, but that they must be

managed by a board of local trustees to whom the property is to be deeded just as soon as the Board can be released from the bonded indebtedness of these schools. In some cases this is going to be better, but in others, it means the death knell of the schools.

6. The Board has had Good Will centers, missions among our sailors, and possibly some other work that we will not mention here except our Hebrew mission which is in charge of Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus. This Jewish preacher has done untold good among his own people. He reports that in the beginning of his work, his people hated him and did all they could to make his work unpleasant, but that now they meet him and greet him as a brother in deed. He has held city-wide Bible conferences which have been largely attended by Jews, Catholics, Christian scientists, and Protestants. Thus you can see that his work is not simply among his own people, but that it is far reaching in its effects. He is urging that we pray for him and his work.

Now, with these facts before us, shall we discontinue the work of the Home Board, or shall we continue it as in the past? If the task is not important, let us stop where we are, but if the task is still important, then let us go forward with it as never before.

Sincerely,

C. J. BLACK.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

No real Christian can frankly face the present condition of our churches in their relation to Foreign Mission work without a tinge of sorrow in his heart.

The distressing decline in receipts of the Foreign Mission Board during the last two years has been discouraging, but this discouragement is dispelled quickly when we view the things done abroad. We may have a depression here in the homeland, but there comes to us evermore great expansion of heart with renewed determination to press forward when we hear of the marvelous triumphs of our work in other lands. Our missions are prospering wonderfully.

Looking back over the progress of our work during the last twenty-five years, we find many evidences of remarkable accomplishment.

In 1906, we had 214 churches. By 1931 these had grown to 2,681 churches. One of the most remarkable things about this growth is that 1,868 of these churches are self-suporting.

There were 12,894 members in our churches twenty-five years ago, whereas in 1931 there were 169,311 members. Our membership multiplied thirteen times. The growth in membership has been much more rapid during the last few years. It is worthy of note that we

baptized more people last year than we had church members twenty-five years ago.

One of the most specific evidences of growth is shown by the contributions made by the churches abroad. These churches gave for the support of the work last year $145,000.00 more than Southern Baptiists gave for the support of the Foreign Mission Board in 1906.

An outstanding assurance about our work abroad during the last two years has been the wonderful way in which it has stood the strain caused by our failure to support it properly during that period. The fine manner in which it has held together has been a revelation of how solidly the work has been done in other years. It encourages us to take up with more hopeful zeal the support of the work in a larger way in the future. Last year we baptized 16,568. This is the largest number ever reported on our Foreign Fields. This should challenge us to greater work.

This has been a year of great revivals. Think of a revival experience like this reported in Africa by one of our missionaries, when a whole village came to Christ: "One of our Baptiist pastors went there and baptized 1,444, and another thousand was seeking baptism. They had left their idols and they wanted a true and living God, but they did not know how to go about finding Him."

We sincerely hope that the appointment of our Foreign Mission Secretary, Dr. Charles E. Maddry will usher in a brighter and better day for this phase of our Lord's work, and we sincerely hope that every church in the Southern Baptist Convention territory will give him their most loyal support.

Respectfully submitted,

B. A. BOWERS.

TREASURER'S REPORT GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1932

Balance on hand October 1st, 1931 ..... $ 0.00

1931 RECEIPTS

October 12th	$10.00
October 13th	24.70
October 14th	3.00
October 15th	14.82
October 16th	17.00
October 17th	10.53
October 20th	2.00
October 23rd	41.60
October 28th	1.25

November 9th	2.61	
November 19th	5.00	
November 24th	20.00	
December 1st	10.00	
December 4th	10.00	$172.51
Total Receipts		$172.51

DISBURSEMENTS

Oct. 22, 1931, Salary to J. A. Wilkins, Clerk	$ 25.00	
Dec. 4th, 1931, Expense to J. A. Wilkins	10.00	
Dec. 10th, 1931, The Mars Hill Press for Printing Minutes	137.20	$172.20
Total Disbursements		$172.20
Balance on hand October 1st, 1932		.31

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. WILKINS,
Treasurer.

GASTON COUNTY ASSOCIATIONAL B. Y. P. U. REPORT

The B. Y. P. U. work in our Association has made a splendid showing during the past year in efficiency and effectiveness, this in view of the fact that the depression has been some handicap.

A few new Unions have been organized, also a few reorganized.

The Districts have all been held regularly each quarter, with splendid programs and have been well attended in most every meeting in each of the four Districts.

The Associational Convention was held with the East Belmont Baptist Church on the first Sunday in June with Dr. J. W. Whitley the principal speaker.

The keynote of this Convention was "Be Ye Transformed."

The following officers are serving the Convention this year: J. P. Thomas, President; W. C. Houser, Associational Vice-President; Miss Naomi Braswell, Junior-Intermediate Leader; Bill Farris, Vice-President Gastonia District No. 1; George Stroupe, Vice-President Dallas District No. 2; Miss Ava Stroupe, Vice-President Cherryville District No. 3; Miss Myrtle Abernethy, Vice-President Belmont-Mt. Holly District No. 4; Julian Hall, Chorister; Miss Mozelle Rhyme, Pianist, and Miss Ruby Jenkins, Secretary-Treasurer.

Our Association won the State Efficiency Banner this year.

The next Convention goes to Bessemer City on first Sunday in June, 1933.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. THOMAS.

REPORT ON EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS IN THE GASTON COUNTY ASSOCIATION IN FALL OF 1931

Out of the 36 churches in the Association, 23 signified their willingness to cooperate in the movement. The following churches sent the names of their Promotion Committee members: Belmont, East, Belmont First, Bessemer City, Bethel, Centerview, Cramerton, Dallas, Gastonia Calvary, Gastonia First, Loray, Gastonia East, Gastonia S. Marietta, Gastonia Temple, Lowell First, McAdenville, Mt. Beulah, Mt. Holly, Mt. Zion, Ranlo, Spencer Mountain, Tuckaseege and Woodlawn.

A central Training School for the development of the committee members from the various co-operating churches was held in the First Church of Gastonia. Dr. B. A. Bowers served splendidly as the teacher in that school, which lasted five nights, with an average attendance of 118. The churches which had representatives present in this school were as follows: Alexis, East Belmont, Belmont First, Bethel, Centerview, Cramerton, Dallas, Gastonia Calvary, Gastonia East, Gastonia First, Gastonia Flint Groves, Loray, Gastonia S. Marietta, Gastonia Temple, McAdenville, Mt. Beulah, Mt. Holly, Ranlo, Shady Grove, Spencer Mountain and Woodlawn. Some churches had fine local schools.

Many of the churches in our Association have been taking an Every-Member Canvass before this year. Some are not developed along this line, but your committee appreciates the co-operation that was so graciously accorded by many of the people. Rev. W. T. Baucom, Dr. B. A. Bowers, Mr. R. B. Suggs, Mr. W. B. Hair, Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Mr. Bryan Hurd, L. J. Waldrop and Miss Erla Griffin served with me on the County Promotion Committee, and I am grateful for their help.

We did not accomplish as much as we would have liked, but feel that real progress was made, and we trust that each succeeding year it will be found easier to enlist the pastors and churches of our Association in this movement to interest every true Baptist in our Association in the Scriptural support of God's Kingdom work at home and abroad. This is not a campaign, but is a movement which we trust will gain greater and more powerful momentum every year until our Lord comes again.

Signed by

R. A. KELLY,

Chairman Promotion Committee for the Gaston County Association for the Fall of 1931.

REPORT ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee begs to submit the following report:

1. Centerview Church, F. M. Huggins, Pastor, recommends the amount of $300.00 to be paid to the church to help spread of Gospel in this community.

Sincerely,
R. G. MACE, Mod.
MRS. W. J. FRANCIS, Sec.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Your Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for the meeting of the Association for 1933 submit the following:

Time—Wednesday and Thursday after the 3rd Sunday of October, 1933.

Place—McAdenville Baptist Church.

Preacher—Rev. W. G. Camp.

Alternate—E. V. Hudson.

D. C. WESSON,
GEO. W. DAVIS,
W. A. HOFFMAN.

IN MEMORIAM

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ALEXIS:
Mr. C. F. Abernathy, Dea.
Mr. F. F. Harris, Deacon

BELMONT, EAST:
Mr. Thomas Roper
Mr. J. M. Hughey
Mrs. Dora Fish

BELMONT, FIRST:
Mrs. Mary Smith
Mrs. Mary Davis
Mrs. L. L. Michal

BESSEMER CITY:
Joe S. Wray, Deacon
Mrs. G. D. Williams
Mrs. Martha Falls

BRUINGTON:
Mr. James Harris

CENTERVIEW:
Mr. J. W. Montgomery, Dea.
Mr. L. D. Fugerson
Mrs. S. D. Ballard

CHERRYVILLE:
Mr. N. Lee Mauney
Mrs. J. M. Lindsey

CRAMERTON:
Miss Ruby Gheen
Mrs. M. A. Roper
Mr. T. P. Beam

DALLAS:
Mrs. Fred Wright

GASTONIA, CALVARY:
Mrs. S. F. Allen
Mr. T. J. M. Bolin
Mr. O. J. Lyda, Treasurer

GASTONIA, EAST:
Mr. H. L. Levi
Mrs. J. H. Pendleton
Mrs. Mary E. Miller

GASTONIA, FIRST:
Mrs. J. Dora Smith
Mr. W. L. Cunningham
Mr. W. C. Bivens
Mrs. I. N. Tolbert
Mrs. W. Z. Plyler

GASTONIA, LORAY:
Mrs. L. A. Reynolds
Mrs. Joe L. Alexander
Mr. C. F. Francis
Mrs. J. C. Melton
Mr. W. H. Nolan, Deacon

GASTONIA, S. MARIETTA:
Mr. J. H. Bradley
Mr. J. K. Gibbons
Mrs. Mary Turner

GASTONIA, TEMPLE:
Mrs. James Jenkins
Mr. J. M. Myers
Mrs. R. O. Crisp

HICKORY GROVE:
Mr. R. Z. Robinson
Mr. M. C. Austin

HIGH SHOALS:
Mr. S. A. Shelton

HULLS GROVE:
Mr. John Miller, Deacon

LONG CREEK MEMORIAL:
Mrs. Ethel Holclaw

LOWELL, FIRST:
Mr. Ed Lowery
Mrs. Sarah Reid
Mrs. M. L. McKempia

McADENVILLE:
Mr. E. W. Fite

MT. HOLLY FIRST:
Mrs. J. W. Bumgarner

MT. ZION:
Miss Edna Crowder
Mrs. Mary Dellinger

RANLO:
Mr. G. S. Grice
Mr. E. G. Grice

SANDY PLAINS:
Mrs. Molly Long

SHADY GROVE:
Mr. James Rafield
Mr. E. D. Stroupe

TUCKASEEGE:
Mr. A. J. Mauney
Mr. John Mullis

WOODLAWN:
Mr. W. E. Sanders

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Gaston County Baptist Association."

Object

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel (as we hold it) to the people within the bounds of the Association, and so co-operate with the Baptist State Convention.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall consist of the officers of the Association, pastors of the churches in the Association, and Messengers from the churches. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers and one additional messenger for every 100 members or fraction thereof over and above 200 members and also one additional messenger for every five thousand dollars or fraction thereof, contributed to the cause of the two conventions.

Officers

Article 4. The Officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, a Treasurer and a Clerk, all of whom shall be elected each year, by the Association at its Annual Meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The duties of the officers shall correspond to the duties of the same officers in like organizations, or as defined by the Association from time to time.

Boards and Committees

Article 5. The Association shall elect an Executive Committee each year whose duties shall be to look after having the Gospel preached in all parts of the Association, and to attend to all business of the Association between the sessions and to make such reports as they deem advisable at the Annual Meeting of the Association. The Association may appoint or elect such other Boards or Committees from time to time as circumstances may require.

Time of Meeting

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually, on Wednesday after the Third Sunday in October. The Moderator may at the request of the Executive Committee change the time or the place of meeting of this Association when it may be deemed by him not expedient to meet at the time or place appointed.

Vacancies

Article 7. The Moderator in concurrence with the Executive

Committee may fill any vacancy occurring between meetings of the Association.

Amendments

Article 8. This Constitution may be amended at any regular session of the Association by a two thirds vote of the number enrolled on the first day of the Asssociation.

By-Laws

No By-Laws Adopted: The Association follows Kerfoot's Rules of Order for Parliamentary authority.

CONSTITUTION GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONVENTION

Preamble.

Desiring to more effectually promote the young people's work in our Association through agency of the B. Y. P. U. Convention, and desiring to better co-ordinate the work of the Gaston County Baptist Associational B. Y. P. U. Director (who is elected annually by the Association) and the officers of the B. Y. P. U. Convention, we, the Gaston County Baptist Association in annual session assembled do adopt the following Constitution and By-Laws by which the Convention shall be conducted:

I. Name.

The name of this organization shall be "The Baptist Young People's Convention of the Gaston County Baptist Association."

II. Purpose.

The purpose of the organization shall be to promote training in Christian service of all the young people in the churches composing our Association.

III. Membership.

The membership of the Convention shall consist only of active members of local B. Y. P. U.'s or B. A. U.'s, together with pastors of churches in the Gaston County Association.

IV. Officers.

The officers of the Convention shall be a President, General Vice President, four District Vice Presidents, a Junior and Intermediate Leader, a Secretary-Treasurer, a Chorister and a Pianist, together with all committees required by the Southwide Standard of Excellence for Associational B. Y. P. U. Conventions and such other committees as may from time to time be needed for the efficient conduct of the work.

V. Election of Officers.

The officers of the Convention shall be elected annually on the floor of the Convention upon a majority of the bona fide members present and voting.

VI. Duties of Officers.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Convention and shall discharge all other duties usually incumbent upon such officer and shall co-operate with the Associational Director in the conduct of the B. Y. P. U. work in the Association.

The General Vice-President shall preside in the absence of the President and shall discharge such other duties as may be requested by the President and shall be ex-officio chairman of the Extension Committee.

The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep full and accurate records of the proceedings of all meetings and shall receive and disburse, on direction of the Convention, all moneys, and shall be chairman of the Social Committee.

The Junior-Intermediate Leader shall, under the supervision of the Associational Director, have the oversight and direction of the plans for the advancement of the B. Y. P. U. work for those of the Junior and Intermediate ages.

The District Vice-Presidents shall, in co-operation with the Associational Director, have the direction of B. Y. P. U. promotional plans for their respective districts and shall preside at District Conventions.

The Chorister and Pianist shall have in charge the direction of the music at all regular and called meetings of the Convention.

The ex-officio chairmanship of the Program Committee shall be vested in the Associational Director.

VII. Meetings.

The Convention shall meet annually at such time and place as the Convention itself may determine.

VIII. Executive.

The Associational Director, the President, the General Vice-President, the four District Vice-Presidents, the Junior-Intermediate Leader, the Chorister, the Pianist shall constitute the Executive Committee, of which the President shall be ex-officio chairman, and shall constitute the Convention ad interim.

IX. Amendments.

This Constitution may be amended on the first day of any regular session of the Gaston County Baptist Association upon a majority vote of those present and voting.

X. By-Laws.

The Convention may be conducted along the lines suggested by any recognized authority on "Rules of Order" such as Kerfoot, Roberts, etc.

PROCEEDINGS

of the

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

of the

GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The thirteenth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Gaston County Baptist Association met with Gastonia First Church, Thursday and Friday, September 1, 2, 1932, with Mrs. M. L. Barnes presiding. The meeting opened at 10 o'clock with the singing of the hymn, "I Love to Tell the Story," followed by prayer and hymn, "Stand Up for Jesus." The devotional was conduted by Mr. R. A. Kelly, Belmont, using Acts 1:12.

The address of welcome was made by Mrs. Ben Guion, of Gastonia The response was given by Mrs. Craig Lewis, Belmont.

Presentation of the Year Book was given by Mrs. Kate L. Jenkins, Gastonia.

Mrs. Barnes made announcements and appointed committees.

Following an inspiring vocal duet, "Only Trust in Jesus," rendered by Mr. R. A. Kelly and Miss Naomi Braswell; Miss Emma Leachman conducted a class in "Missions in the Bible," by Lawrence.

A Hymn, "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone," was sung, and then a second period of study under Miss Leachman was held. Adjourned for lunch.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened at 1:45 with singing of hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers," followed by prayer by Rev. F. M. Huggins.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts:

Cash in Bank brought forward	$33.57
Received from W. M. Societies	42.10
Received from Y. W. A.'s	3.70
Received from R. A.'s	1.25
Reecived from G. A.'s	3.25
Received from Sunbeams	2.00
Special Offering	9.34
Total	$95.21

Disbursements:

Nov. 25, 1931, Loftin Co.	30.50
Nov. 2, 1931, Mrs. Francis (Asso. Expense)	10.00
Feb. 29, 1932, Mrs. Barnes (Asso. Expense)	5.00
May 30, 1932, Loftin & Co. (1931 Mins.)	27.50
May 30, 1932, Mrs. Vann (Divisional Exp.)	5.00
July, 1932, Mrs. Barnes (Asso. Exp.)	10.00
Tax on July Check	.02
Total Disbursements	$88.02
Cash in Bank	7.19
Total	$95.21

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. H. M. CRAIG, Treasurer.

REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

This report was given by Mrs. George R. Grice, Mt. Holly as follows: Letters written 143, cards written 5, miles traveled 1,019, new organizations: 5 Y. W. A.'s, 4 Sunbeam Bands, 1 R. A.; Y. W. A. banquet held on February 11, 1932, with attendance of 216; Young Peoples Camp for G. A.'s and R. A.'s at Boiling Springs College, August 1st through 5th. Junior Rally held in Cherryville on June 3.

PERSONAL SERVICE REPORT

Number miles traveled	135
Number messages written	132
Number report blanks mailed	186

Number of organizations reporting quarterly:

	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
W. M. S.	15	19	15	49
Y. W. A.	4	4	3	11
G. A.	5	7	6	18
R. A.	1	3	2	6
S. B.	7	5	4	16
Grand Total	32	38	30	100

Money given for needy	$85.20
Conversions resulting from Person Service	15

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. B. H. CARPENTER.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

In God's Word we are taught that it is required of a steward that he be faithful and in this our thirteenth year of our Associational W. M. U. many individual women and societies have been faithful. To these I bring a heart full of gratitude and thank our Heavenly Father for placing them in positions of usefulness. There has been a self sacrificing among those who have come to our Monday morning conferences. Throughout the Association there is a willingness to do mission work and a desire to have the organizations in all the churches. As a result of this eleven new societies were organized. One Y. W. A. has not been organized long enough to make a financial report. However, our net gain is only one society. I deplore the fact that while I read of meetings of the Y. W. A. I have never received any report from them. I know of two Sunbeam Bands who are meeting regularly but I have not received a report since the notification of the organization. One W. M. S. has meetings and makes no report. Our Associational apportionment is $6,878.74 and in the four quarters we have raised for all objects, except State and Associational Expense Fund, $5,905.90. I have traveled 1,131 miles, sent out 400 letters, 283 cards, held 13 meetings, visited 5 societies, taught 3 mission classes, long distance phone calls 15, attended the District Meeting in Charlotte, and State W. M. U. Meeting in Greensboro.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. M. L. BARNES.

After the adoption of all the reports, a vocal duet was rendered.

Under the direction of Mrs. E. V. Hudson, representatives of the Young People's organizations of Cramerton, gave a playlet, "Celebration of Miss Y. W. A."

District work was presented by Mrs. C. P. Nanney, followed by presentation of Religious Literature by Mrs. Kate L. Jenkins.

The Young People's Conference was led by iMss Alva Lawrence, while Mrs. Barnes was in charge of the W. M. S. Conference. During this hour Mrs. W. J. Francis presented "Weeks of Prayer," Mrs. Joe Moore "W. M. U. Specials;" Miss Ocie Skidmore "Programs;" and Miss Laura B. Skidmore and Miss Ruth Gaffney, "Reports."

REPORT OF OBITUARY COMMITTEE

In Memoriam. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."—Rev. 14:13. Bessemer City, Mrs. G. D. Williams, Mrs. Alice Falls; Centerview, Miss Rose Watts; First, Gastonia, Mrs. I. N. Tolbert; Y. W. A., Cramerton, Miss Ruby Green;

Sunbeam; Mt. Beulah, Marjorie Barbee; Cramerton W. M. S., Mrs. M. A. Roper.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. J. J. BEACH,
MRS. VERNON HARRELLSON,
MRS. L. C. McDOWELL.

After singing of "Sweet Bye and Bye" and prayer by Mrs. Barnes, the meeting adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The meeting opened with hymn, "I Am Thine, O Lord," followed by prayer by Mrs. M. L. Barnes. The devotional was conducted by Mrs. W. H. Clark, returned missionary from Japan, who used Col. 4, having as her subject "Redeeming Thy Time."

A continuation of the study of "Missions in the Bible" was held under Miss Leachman. After the singing of "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," the Mission Study Conference was led by Mrs. B. A. Bowers, assisted by Mrs. W. B. Hair, Miss Noami Braswell, Mrs. Willis, and Mrs. E. V. Hudson. A short talk by Dr. B. A. Bowers preceded a second period of class work under Miss Leachman. After a closing prayer, adjournment for lunch was made.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The opening song was "Higher Ground," followed by prayer by Mr. R. A. Kelly.

The report of the Nominating Committee was as follows:

Superintendent.....Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mt. Holly, N. C.
Asst. Supt.....Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mt. Holly, N. C.
Secretary.....Mrs. L. C. McDowell, Cherryville, N. C.
Young People's Leader.....Mrs. Geo. R. Grice, Mt. Holly, N. C.
Personal Service.....Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.
Supt. Mission Study.....Mrs. B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.
Treasurer.....Mrs. H. M. Craig, Stanley, N. C.

The Executive Board to be same as last year. The District Secretaries to be: Belmont-Mt. Holly, Mrs. R. M. Goddard, Belmont, N. C.; Cherryville, Mrs. B. H. Carpenter; Dallas, Mrs. T. W. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. KATE L. JENKINS, Chairman.

Mrs. Bowers moved adoption of this report.

The Time and Place Committee reports as follows:

We, the Time and Place Committee, beg to state that we meet

with First Church, Lowell, N. C. The time to be set by the Executive Committee. It is recommended that the Young People's meeting and Camp be combined to meet sometime early in July at Boiling Springs College.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. R. G. MACE, Belmont, N. C.

An instrumental number, "Holy Ghost tiwh Light Divine" by Mr. West and Mr. R. A. Kelly, both of Belmont was enjoyed.

A conference combined the Young People's Work and Personal Service was led by Mrs. B. H. Carpenter, assisted by Mrs. E. A. McCarter, Mrs. W. J. Francis and Mrs. E. V. Hudson.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, the Committee of Resolutions, beg to submit the following report:

1. We wish to thank the Lowell ladies for their invitations to meet with them, and for the beautiful spirit of co-operation in allowing us to make the change and combine the Associational meeting with the Conference. We are very appreciative of the ladies of the First Baptist Church, Gastonia, for kindly consenting for us to hold the meeting with them, for their cordial words of welcome by Mrs. Ben Guion, and for their generous hospitality.

2. We especially thank Miss Leachman for her inspirational instruction and messages, and are sure we have gained much by having had the privilege of listening to her.

3. We are also very thankful for the devotional by Rev. R. A. Kelly, the devotional by Mrs. Clark, and the devotional by Dr. B. A. Bowers Thursday night and the encouraging message brought by him Friday morning.

We are further thankful to all those who took part on the program, including those who rendered the vocal and musical numbers.

4. We are most grateful to Miss Lawrence for the work she has done during the Conference.

5. We wish to extend to our worthy Superintendent, Mrs. M. L. Barnes, our most hearty appreciation for her untiring efforts, in making the Woman's work count for the glory of God and the ongoing of His Kingdom's work.

6. We wish to thank the Gastonia Gazette for space given us to anonunce the Conference and Association.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. MAYME RHYNE,
MRS. S. M. STROUPE,
MRS. H. M. CRAIG, Chairman.

The committee on The Plan of Work, composed of Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Chairman, Mrs. Joe Moore, Mrs. D. C. Wesson, recommended the Plan of Work as laid down in the Year Book.

A motion was made and carried that this year the minutes of this meeting be incorporated in the Associational Minutes. Also a motion to adopt the Calendar year instead of the Associational year was made and carried.

After the singing of hymn "More About Jesus," and prayer by Mrs. W. J. Francis, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. M. L. BARNES, Superintendent.

DELEGATES

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19	Hickory Grove	C. F. Lineberger, Rt. 2, Mt. Holly, N. C.	C. F. Froneberger, Rt. 2, Mt. Holly, N. C.	C. F. Lineberger, Mt. Holly, N. C.
20	High Shoals	J. M. Shelton, High Shoals, N. C.	J. T. Lackey, High Shoals, N. C.	R. L. Vannoy, High Shoals, N. C.
21	Hull's Grove	Mrs. J. J. Waldrop, Vale, N. C.	T. B. Hull, Vale, N. C.	W. L. Consler, Rt. 3, Vale, N. C.
22	Long Creek Memorial	F. M. Pasaur, Dallas, N. C.	L. S. Sumney, Dallas, N. C.	L. W. Holland, Dallas, N. C.
23	Lowell, First	J. B. Freeman, Lowell, N. C.	R. L. Reid, Lowell, N. C.	R. F. Harris, Lowell, N. C.
24	McAdenville	B. H. Waters, McAdenville, N. C.	Fred Hoffman, McAdenville, N. C.	C. E. Austin, McAdenville, N. C.
25	Mountain View	Ben Clark, Rt. 1, Kings Mountain, N. C.	J. J. Holifield, Rt. 1, Kings Mountain	J. J. Hollifield, Rt. 1, Kings Mt.
26	Mt. Beulah	L. A. Barbee, Rt. 5, Lincolnton, N. C.	M. L. Black, Rt. 1, Bessemer City, N. C.	W. B. Elam, Rt. 5, Lincolton, N. C
27	Mt. Holly, First	R. B. Watkins, Mt. Holly, N. C.	L. L. Ware, Mt. Holly, N. C.	W. A. Autry, Mt. Holly, N. C.
28	Mt. Zion	Geo. D. Bean, Cherryville, N. C.	W. C. Houser, Cherryville, N. C.	C. J. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.
29	Ranlo	W. H. Noblett, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	W. L. Mashburn, Ranlo, N. C.	A. C. Warlick, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia
30	Riverside	F. L. Hawkins, Rt. 3, Gastonia, N. C.	W. A. Paysoux, Rt. 2, Gastonia, N. C.	E. R. Bumgarner, Rt. 2, Gastonia.
31	Sandy Plains	W. E. Barnes, Rt. 3, Gastonia, N. C.	W. E. Barnes, Gastonia, N. C.	F. L. Featherston, Cramerton, N. C
32	Shady Grove	J. R. Witherspoon, Kings Mountain, N .C.	D. R. Stroupe, Kings Mountain, N. C.	D. M. Witherspoon, Cherryville, N.
33	*Spencer Mountain	A. B. Boozer, Rt. 2, Gastonia, N. C.	C. Y. Smith, Gastonia, N. C.	C. Y. Smith, Rt. 2, Gastonia, N. C.
34	*Tuckaseegee	G. H. Blankenship, Mt. Holly, N. C.	J. D. Smith, Mt. Holly, N. C.	I. M. Beach, Mt. Holly, N. C.
35	Webbs Chapel	A. F. Carpenter, Lincolnton, N. C.	F. B. Carpenter, Lincolnton, N. C.	W. R. Huffstelly, Lincolton, N. C.
36	Woodlawn	J. T. Cox, Art Cloth Sta., Lowell, N. C.	S. A. Cloninger, Art Cloth Sta., Lowell	D. B. Ragon, Art Cloth Sta., Lowell

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TABLE I: CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC., GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR OCTOBER 1, 1932

	CHURCHES	Location	When Constituted	PASTORS	Regular Days of Meeting:	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP										Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revival Meetings	Observances of Lord's Supper During Year	State Baptist Paper
						Gains					Losses								
						Members Reported Last Year	Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Total Membership				
1	Alexis	V	1903	S. M. Stroupe, Alexis, N. C.	1 3	190	22	10	...	...	13	...	...	2	207	No	1	1	3
2	Belmont, East	T	1912	R. G. Mace, East Belmont, N. C.	*	439	112	33	...	3	16	8	...	3	560	Yes	1	4	...
3	Belmont, First	T	1874	R. A. Kelly, Belmont, N. C.	*	465	19	17	...	2	27	11	...	3	460	Yes	1	4	51
4	Bessemer City	T	1898	Dr. C. J. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.	*	466	59	28	2	1	14	24	...	3	515	Yes	1	3	8
5	Bethel	V	1926	H. W. Baucom, Gastonia, N. C.	2 4	78	9	6	...	...	3	...	...	...	90	Yes	2	...	...
6	Bruington	T	1891	W. W. Rimmey, Cornelius, N. C.	1 3	298	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	327	Yes	1	2	5
7	Centerview	V	1921	F. M. Higgins, Belmont, N. C.	*	300	54	33	13	4	26	...	...	3	375	Yes	1	3	2
8	Cherryville	T	1893	J. J. Black, Cherryville, N. C.	*	479	27	6	...	...	10	...	...	2	500	Yes	1	1	...
9	Cramerton	T	1911	Dr. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.	*	509	26	18	2	...	20	...	...	3	532	Yes	1	1	16
10	Dallas	T	1879	W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.	*	230	6	10	...	...	7	...	...	1	238	Yes	1	4	50
11	Gastonia Calvary	C	1920	J. A. Hudson, Pinkney Sta., Gastonia	*	436	33	25	2	2	30	14	46	3	405	Yes	2	2	6
12	East	C	1900	T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia, N. C.	*	445	44	36	6	2	28	3	6	7	489	Yes	1	4	10
13	First	C	1876	B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.	*	953	100	46	5	...	62	...	2	5	1,040	Yes	1	4	...
14	Flint-Groves	C	1923	B. F. Austin, E. Gastonia, N. C.	*	313	32	11	...	6	19	...	24	...	319	...	...	...	...
15	Loray	C	1905	Dr. J. W. Whilley Loray Sta. Gastonia	*	972	36	37	2	...	65	4	2	5	971	Yes	2	4	20
16	So. Marietta St.	C	1917	G. W. Davis, Gastonia, N. C.	*	227	70	31	4	4	16	2	...	3	325	Yes	2	4	...
17	Temple	C	1926	W. A. Hoffman, Gastonia, N. C.	*	448	56	17	1	...	11	20	...	3	488	Yes	2	4	4
18	Hardin	V	1922	H. W. Baucom, Dixon Mills, Gastonia	1 3	97	38	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	138	...	...	...	...
19	Hickory Grove	O	1873	W. B. McClure, Alexis, N. C.	2 4	169	13	10	2	...	6	...	...	2	176	No	1	2	...
20	High Shoals	V	1902	J. B. Payne, High Shoals, N. C.	1 3	144	18	9	6	...	5	...	...	1	171	Yes	2	2	...
21	Hull's Grove	O	1890	James Street, Casar, N. C.	3	188	10	3	1	...	1	...	25	1	175	No	1	2	...
22	Long Creek Memorial	O	1772	Dr. C. E. Phillips, Dallas, N. C.	*	416	30	8	2	...	8	...	...	1	447	Yes	1	3	...
23	Lowell, First	T	1893	Lowell Barnett, Lowell, N. C.	*	430	14	3	...	...	21	53	...	3	370	Yes	2	4	4
24	McAdenville	T	1887	D. C. Wesson, McAdenville, N. C.	*	247.	13.	4	...	14	10	5	...	1	267	Yes	2	4	...
25	Mountain View	C	1916	W. G. Camp, Cherryville, N. C.	*	50	25	7	...	...	8	...	...	2	72	Yes	2	1	...
26	Mt. Beulah	V	1928	D. F. Birchfield Gastonia Sta. Gastonia	3 4	151	5	8	...	...	7	1	...	1	155	...	1	2	4
27	Mt. Holly, First	T	1890	M. L. Barnes, Mt. Holly, N. C.	*	596	58	45	1	...	17	...	...	...	683	Yes	1	3	30
28	Mt. Zion	O	1857	D. F. Putnum, Shelby, N. C.	3 4	217	11	5	...	1	4	...	...	2	228	Yes	1	1	1
29	Ranlo	V	1919	W. L. Walters. Gastonia, N. C.	*	365	57	54	...	...	26	...	...	2	448	Yes	2	2	...
30	Riverside	V	1927	A. A. Lockie, Mt. Holly, N. C.	1 2	87	7	2	...	...	12	2	...	...	80	Yes	1	1	...
31	Sandy Plains	O	1863	M. P. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C.	2 4	267	16	5	...	...	3	1	...	...	284	...	1	2	1
32	Shady Grove	O	1880	W. G. Camp, Cherryville, N. C.	1 3	120	1	1	...	...	4	2	...	...	116	No	...	...	...
33	Spencer Mountain	V	1908	John L. Clovinger, Rt. 2, Gastonia	*	134	35	6	3	...	11	...	1	...	156	Yes	2	3	1
34	Tuckaseege	V	1927	A. A. Lackie, Mt. Holly, N. C.	1	211	42	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	274	...	...	...	...
35	Webbs Chapel	O	1892	M. P. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C.	1 3	68	17	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	92	Yes	1	...	...
36	Woodlawn	V	1930	W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.	*	90	21	3	...	...	3	...	...	1	110	...	...	...	...
	TOTALS				.....	11,295	1,136	565	55	39	516	150	117	64	12,283	....	42	77	216

* Full time preaching.

J. A. Wilkins, Clerk of Gaston County Baptist Association, Gastonia, N. C.

R. G. Mace, Moderator, Gaston County, Baptist Association, East Belmont, N. C.

TABLE II: SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, STATE OF N. C., OCT. 1, 1932

	CHURCHES	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years and Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Home Department	Total Enrollment—Including Officers, Teachers and Pupils	What is Your Average Attendance?	Is the School Graded?	Is it Standard A-1?	Teachers Holding Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Mission School	Total Enrolled	D. V B. S.?	Total Enrollwent—	Average Attendance
1	Alexis	15	12	18	35	22	25	28	...	...	155	95	Yes	No	12	20	No	...	No	...	...
2	Belmont, East	56	43	88	99	56	117	127	56	...	642	352	Yes	No	9	100	No	...	No	...	...
3	Belmont, First	80	56	74	75	54	53	88	32	24	536	312	Yes	Yes	47	19	No	...	No	...	...
4	Bessemer City	50	33	82	76	56	153	214	124	40	828	314	Yes	No	...	52	No	...	No	...	...
5	Bethel	5	...	31	.....	22	.....	39	...	...	97	60	Yes	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6	Bruington	19	7	45	35	21	85	40	...	...	252	190	Yes	No	5	20	No	...	No	...	...
7	Centerview	25	38	41	95	77	84	144	...	...	504	351	Yes	No	3	49	No	...	No	...	...
8	Cherryville	32	25	52	81	54	86	76	25	18	449	184	Yes	No	17	15	No	...	No	...	...
9	Cramerton	61	33	84	120	98	144	87	38	91	756	344	Yes	Yes	30	26	No	...	No	...	...
10	Dallas	18	24	16	24	24	29	28	28	12	203	128	Yes	Yes	12	3	No	...	No	...	...
11	Gastonia Calvary	31	48	68	69	68	97	123	17	24	545	309	Yes	No	6	31	Yes	72	No	...	...
12	East	53	58	100	109	80	87	151	27	...	665	294	Yes	No	20	28	No	...	No	...	...
13	First	220	81	99	165	125	98	367	83	85	1,323	861	Yes	Yes	90	100	No	...	Yes	185	177
14	Flint-Groves	25	40	50	85	35	100	50	25	...	410	287	No	No	...	25	No	...	No	...	...
15	Loray	78	63	137	143	64	93	312	40	59	989	454	Yes	Yes	75	35	No	...	No	...	...
16	So. Marietta St.	34	32	75	83	27	20	163	10	...	444	228	Yes	No	...	37	No	...	No	...	...
17	Temple	59	58	90	114	70	83	132	127	...	733	285	Yes	Yes	19	40	No	...	No	...	...
18	Harding	10	...	27	31	14	59	48	...	...	189	154	Yes	No	...	31	No	...	No	...	...
19	Hickory Grove	11	8	22	21	19	24	51	...	...	156	118	No	....	1	13	No	...	...	...	...
20	High Shoals	9	...	38	47	43	26	52	...	...	215	145	No	No	...	...	No	...	No	...	...
21	Hull's Grove	12	12	14	37	20	17	22	...	...	134	90	Yes	No	3	10	No	...	Yes	95	81
22	Long Creek Memorial	15	34	35	48	52	93	93	...	...	370	233	Yes	No	1	...	No	...	No	...	...
23	Lowell, First	40	31	59	56	55	73	111	37	...	462	261	Yes	No	12	12	No	...	No	...	...
24	McAdenville	27	26	51	62	37	79	84	92	68	526	265	Yes	Yes	17	13	No	...	Yes	163	150
25	Mountain View	13	9	23	27	11	13	24	22	...	142	100	No	No	...	...	No	...	No	...	...
26	Mt. Beaulah	14	9	7	17	18	22	18	...	...	105	65	Yes	No	8	5	No	...	No	...	...
27	Mt. Holly, First	54	41	70	130	90	100	200	...	...	685	408	Yes	No	25	40	No	...	No	...	...
28	Mt. Zion	32	8	13	26	18	21	28	4	...	150	79	Yes	No	9	11	No	...	No	...	...
29	Ranlo	11	75	69	122	59	57	134	...	...	527	265	Yes	No	9	20	No	...	No	...	...
30	Riverside	13	15	19	18	10	10	41	14	...	140	85	No	No	6	7	No	...	No	...	...
31	Sandy Plains	9	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	228	115	No	No	...	12	No	...	No	...	...
32	Shady Grove	12	7	10	.....	26	21	18	...	...	94	65	Yes	No	...	1	No	...	No	...	...
33	Spencer Mountain	11	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	140	115	No	No	...	35	No	...	No	...	...
34	Tuckaseege	11	8	21	27	15	44	61	7	...	194	185	No	No	...	...	No	...	No	...	...
35	Webbs Chapel	10	9	9	7	24	15	16	3	...	93	75	No	No	2	14	No	...	No	...	...
36	Woodlawn	18	35	43	62	32	36	76	...	37	339	235	No	No	...	19	No	...	No	...	...
	TOTALS	1,182	978	1,680	2,146	1,496	2,064	3,246	811	458	14,420	8,106	....	....	438	843	....	72	....	443	408

R. G. Mace, Moderator, Gaston County, Baptist Association, East Belmont, N. C.
J. A. Wilkins, Clerk of Gaston County Baptist Association, Gastonia, N. C.

TABLE III: CHURCH PROPERTY OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, OCTOBER 1, 1932

	CHURCHES	Does Church Own House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	No. of Department Assembly Rooms	No. Seperate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Mission Chapel if Any	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
1	Alexis	Yes	1904	Wood	400	5	4	4	$ 2,000	...	$	$ 2,000	$	$ .....
2	Belmont, East	Yes	1930	Brick	555	30	9	29	25,000	...	2,000	27,000	7,000.00	15,000
3	Belmont, First	Yes	1912	B.-W.	500	6	7	11	29,000	...	12,000	41,000	4,688.46	16,800
4	Bessemer City	Yes	1922	Brick	400	16	4	12	40,000	...	.....	40,000	9,000.00	15,000
5	Bethel	No	1923	Wood	200	3	3	3	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
6	Bruington	Yes	1924	Brick	320	10	2	9	20,000	...	3,000	23,000	6,274.00	9,000
7	Centerview	Yes	1929	Brick	600	16	...	14	8,000	...	2,000	10,000	5,000.00	4,100
8	Cherryville	Yes	1921	B.-S.	600	23	4	21	50,000	...	5,000	55,000	11,320.00	35,000
9	Cramerton	No	1920	Brick	500	8	3	10	55,000	...	3,000	58,000	.....	25,000
10	Dallas	Yes	1914	Brick	600	6	5	5	20,000	...	10,000	30,000	.....	10,000
11	Gastonia Calvary	Yes	1923	Brick	475	12	2	10	15,000	...	2,500	17,500	7,000.00	12,000
12	East	Yes	1900	Brick	600	7	6	43	40,000	...	10,000	50,000	4,000.00	21,000
13	First	Yes	1932	Brick	1,392	26	7	40	250,000	...	30,000	280,000	.....	102,000
14	Flint-Groves	Yes	1924	Brick	1,000	12	2	12	12,500	...	.....	12,500	4,000.00	9,000
15	Loray	Yes	1907	Wood	200	41	6	41	70,000	...	20,000	90,000	.....	35,000
16	So. Marietta St.	No	1917	Brick	400	12	7	7	25,000	...	.....	25,000	4,000.00	5,000
17	Temple	Yes	1928	Wood	400	30	6	30	9,000	...	.....	9,000	3,500.00	.....
18	Hardin	Yes	1929	Brick	400	3	...	3	7,000	...	.....	7,000	11,000.00	4,000
19	Hickory Grove	Yes	1906	Wood	500	3	2	2	5,000	...	.....	5,000	.....	3,500
20	High Shoals	Yes	1912	Wood	350	5	...	...	1,500	...	.....	1,500	.....	.....
21	Hull's Grove	Yes	1900	Wood	500	6	...	6	2,000	...	.....	2,000	.....	.....
22	Long Creek Memorial	Yes	1920	Brick	1,000	11	...	5	55,000	...	2,500	57,500	5,000.00	12,000
23	Lowell, First	Yes	1928	Brick	600	22	5	17	42,500	...	.....	42,500	22,000.00	30,000
24	McAdenville	Yes	1887	Wood	400	9	1	14	5,000	...	2,500	7,500	.....	6,000
25	Mountain View	No	....	Wood	300	...	...	12	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
26	Mt. Beulah	Yes	1917	Wood	400	9	9	8	5,250	...	.....	5,250	.....	.....
27	Mt. Holly, First	Yes	....	Brick	1,000	28	2	28	60,000	...	5,000	65,000	13,000.00	25,000
28	Mt. Zion	Yes	1903	Wood	400	10	2	3	6,250	...	.....	6,250	.....	.....
29	Ranlo	Yes	1923	Brick	400	11	3	9	15,000	...	3,500	18,500	3,132.00	11,700
30	Riverside	Yes	1927	Wood	300	1	...	...	2,000	...	.....	2,000	.....	1,600
31	Sandy Plains	Yes	1875	Wood	500	4	...	3	2,000	...	.....	2,000	.....	750
32	Shady Grove	Yes	1880	Wood	300	...	...	4	1,000	...	.....	1,000	.....	.....
33	Spencer Mountain	No	....	Wood	300	...	...	4	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
34	Tuckaseege	Yes	1912	Wood	350	1	...	...	4,000	...	1,500	5,500	.....	.....
35	Webbs Chapel	Yes	1892	Wood	250	...	8	8	2,500	...	.....	2,500	600.00	300
36	Woodlawn	No	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
	TOTALS	....	....	.....	18,392	388	109	427	$886,500	...	$114,500	$1,001,000	$120,514.46	$396,750

J. A. Wilkins, Clerk of Gaston County Baptist Association, Gastonia, N. C.
R. G. Mace, Moderator, Gaston County Baptist Association, E. Belmont, Belmont, N. C.

TABLE IV: GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, SEPT. 30, 1932

	CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for Sunday School and B. Y. P. U.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	Total Given by Church	Total Gifts W. M. U. Organizations	Total Given by Sunday School	Grand Total for Local Purposes Given by the Church and all its Organizations
1	Alexis	325.20	.....	40.50	37.65	24.00	89.05	27.20	1.50	11.43	428.25	.....	127.68	555.93
2	Belmont, East	1,820.00	.....	87.40	568.82	354.55	416.95	108.00	.....	12.00	3,367.72	.....	.....	3,367.72
3	Belmont, First	2,700.00	.....	107.55	523.92	470.33	324.28	44.11	10.00	154.25	4,334.44	.....	.....	4,334.44
4	Bessemer City	1,602.15	.....	40.00	1,105.52	646.16	156.82	75.00	.....	34.35	3,292.95	.....	367.05	3,660.00
5	Bethel	20.43	.....	4.90	.....	10.80	19.69	.....	2.70	.....	58.52	.....	.....	58.52
6	Bruington	707.91	.....	15.35	26.00	357.09	100.00	.....	.....	15.35	1,523.60	.....	.....	1,523.60
7	Centerview	1,107.50	5.00	95.00	505.38	128.61	265.04	52.00	3.00	.....	2,161.53	.....	.....	2,161.53
8	Cherryville	1,478.00	.....	78.00	1,383.76	158.28	228.26	.....	.....	.....	3,054.22	.....	272.08	3,326.30
9	Cramerton	2,314.90	.....	53.00	.....	185.71	429.92	75.34	10.00	158.14	3,227.01	.....	.....	3,227.01
10	Dallas	975.00	.....	57.67	66.00	192.99	124.42	.....	5.00	83.88	1,336.15	15.98	152.83	1,504.96
11	Gastona Calvary	1,432.25	.....	73.03	575.44	182.76	182.17	.....	12.00	.....	2,438.65	.....	.....	2,438.65
12	East	2,227.75	.....	.....	1,293.00	1,133.27	71.72	50.00	5.00	75.44	4,784.46	.....	71.72	4,856.18
13	First	4,343.00	1,855.00	300.00	527.00	2,680.12	638.27	.....	20.00	1,252.74	9,725.12	.....	1,891.01	11,616.13
14	Flint-Groves	1,560.00	.....	120.96	273.28	184.40	74.46	51.40	.....	113.86	2,257.92	51.40	74.46	2,383.78
15	Loray	3,142.61	.....	150.00	139.04	730.65	1,161.25	81.85	10.00	.....	5,415.40	.....	.....	5,415.40
16	So. Marietta St.	1,040.00	.....	130.25	318.64	299.14	132.75	.....	.....	.....	1,920.78	.....	.....	1,920.78
17	Temple	1,487.95	.....	35.50	380.02	433.72	240.39	.....	5.00	43.36	2,342.19	.....	283.75	2,625.94
18	Hardin	250.00	.....	7.40	780.41	34.00	35.00	57.00	4.14	.....	1,167.95	.....	.....	1,167.95
19	Hickory Grove	145.00	.....	30.80	.....	55.78	57.40	4.37	.....	17.55	231.58	.....	79.32	310.90
20	High Shoals	595.95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	595.95	.....	.....	595.95
21	Hull's Grove	220.54	.....	.....	.....	17.00	42.06	.....	1.00	95.00	375.60	.....	.....	375.60
22	Long Creek Memorial	888.00	.....	14.20	479.87	212.98	69.37	.....	3.00	.....	1,351.41	.....	405.61	1,757.02
23	Lowell, First	846.70	.....	54.10	7,010.35	104.44	304.43	.....	.....	.....	7,973.46	9.75	362.08	8,345.29
24	McAdenville	1,519.59	.....	71.50	120.92	132.60	259.81	9.50	.....	26.36	1,880.47	.....	259.81	2,140.28
25	Mountain View	33.53	.....	.....	.....	.....	60.00	5.60	2.00	.....	99.13	.....	.....	99.13
26	Mt. Beulah	350.00	15.00	.....	.....	48.00	130.78	.....	4.35	.....	417.35	.....	130.78	548.13
27	Mt. Holly, First	2,600.00	.....	75.00	692.40	357.25	234.00	150.00	10.00	82.65	3,485.00	100.00	612.30	4,197.30
28	Mt. Zion	300.00	.....	31.11	.....	5.40	73.67	.....	.....	19.35	345.66	10.35	73.47	429.48
29	Ranlo	1,456.00	.....	130.00	942.41	188.85	134.84	.....	5.00	92.10	2,717.21	.....	231.94	2,949.15
30	Riverside	108.41	.....	10.00	.....	49.46	52.85	.....	2.40	110.45	118.41	100.00	115.16	333.57
31	Sandy Plains	357.98	.....	.....	350.00	17.08	60.00	.....	.....	.....	785.06	.....	.....	785.06
32	Shady Grove	264.00	.....	28.00	28.00	.....	59.02	.....	.....	.....	320.00	.....	59.02	379.02
33	Spencer Mountain	97.93	.....	15.24	6.60	66.37	73.38	.....	2.55	40.43	125.57	.....	158.34	283.91
34	Tuckaseege	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	706.53	.....	.....	706.53
35	Webbs Chapel	46.80	24.10	.....	.....	59.00	22.50	.....	.46	.....	152.86	.....	.....	152.86
36	Woodlawn	728.00	.....	.....	.....	34.50	220.00	.....	.....	.....	982.50	.....	.....	982.50
	TOTALS	39,093.08	1,899.10	1,856.46	18,134.43	9,555.29	6,544.55	791.37	119.10	2,438.69	75,500.61	287.48	5,728.41	81,516.50

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TABLE V: GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES, GASTON COUNTY ASSO OCT

	CHURCHES	Co-operative Program	Special to Associational Minutes	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Christian and Ministerial Education	Special to Orphanage	Special Hospitals	Special to Old Ministers' Relief	Other Special Gifts	Total to All Missions Education Benevolence By Church Only	Total Gifts W. M. S.	Total Given by S. S.	Grand Tot. for All Purposes by Churches and Depts.
1	Alexis	56.45	....	11.33	13.66	17.57	7.50	127.15	9.41	....	.....	243.07	99.50	127.02	243.07
2	Belmont, East	606.90	....	2.50	3.55	17.25	3.60	173.24	16.95	....	.....	742.24	81.75	.....	823.99
3	Belmont, First	1,514.40	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	228.32	62.25	....	.....	1,804.97	.....	.....	1,804.97
4	Bessemer City	16.45	4.00	10.70	15.00	29.05	3.65	124.32	9.00	....	3.60	60.00	91.45	64.32	215.77
5	Bethel	8.65	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	8.65	.....	.....	8.65
6	Bruington	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47.54	.....	....	24.16	71.70	.....	.....	71.70
7	Centerview	112.31	....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	105.55	12.40	....	.....	86.68	27.68	117.90	232.26
8	Cherryville	419.88	....	45.41	46.30	37.45	22.64	216.50	.....	....	11.85	321.75	294.55	183.75	800.03
9	Cramerton	706.02	....	5.25	5.00	32.43	.....	79.99	.....	....	9.70	216.05	622.34	.....	838.39
10	Dallas	187.22	....	44.17	26.73	5.50	.....	78.08	14.30	....	58.48	221.70	29.50	163.28	414.48
11	Gastonia Calvary	71.32	....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	34.33	6.73	....	16.65	102.77	.....	51.32	154.09
12	East	438.37	....	3.95	8.05	23.65	101.00	285.93	31.18	....	10.83	554.62	31.23	317.11	902.96
13	First	6,130.66	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	6,130.66	3,075.87	901.04	10,107.57
14	Flint-Groves	.....	....	.....	16.25	13.00	.....	27.30	.....	....	.....	12.25	17.00	27.30	56.55
15	Loray	142.91	....	12.25	13.00	10.00	.....	111.80	.....	....	21.80	337.71	59.46	.....	397.17
16	So. Marietta	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65.09	.....	....	23.27	88.36	.....	.....	88.36
17	Temple	71.80	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68.03	13.00	....	10.00	52.80	2.00	102.03	156.83
18	Hardin	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
19	Hickory Grove	10.58	....	.....	5.15	4.07	.....	52.44	7.38	....	26.00	2.00	50.51	53.07	105.58
20	High Shoals	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24.45	....	.....	24.45	.....	.....	24.45
21	Hull's Grove	12.00	....	2.25	2.20	.25	.....	4.09	1.08	....	.....	21.67	.....	.....	21.67
22	Long Creek Memorial	42.30	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.00	.....	....	.....	15.00	40.30	.....	55.30
23	Lowell, First	25.25	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	17.25	9.75	2.25	29.25
24	McAdenville	173.66	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38.68	6.59	....	.....	173.66	.....	45.27	218.93
25	Mountain View	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.81	3.79	....	.....	5.60	.....	.....	5.60
26	Mt. Beulah	.....	....	4.45	7.67	9.10	4.55	.....	6.36	1.00	9.52	26.56	6.25	9.79	42.60
27	Mt. Holly, First	382.86	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	104.50	10.00	....	.....	86.11	296.75	114.50	497.36
28	Mt. Zion	3.35	2.50	.....	3.00	2.35	2.80	12.23	5.69	....	.....	15.97	.....	15.95	31.92
29	Panlo	75.45	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00	.....	....	.....	65.00	10.45	15.00	90.45
30	Riverside	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.45	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	10.45	10.45
31	Sandy Plains	36.37	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.49	.....	....	.....	16.45	19.92	23.49	59.86
32	Shady Grove	.....	....	16.88	11.00	2.90	10.83	26.78	.61	4.87	.....	58.47	.....	15.00	73.47
33	Spencer Mountain	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.23	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	17.23	17.23
34	Tuckaseege	.....	....	3.32	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	....	.....	13.32	.....	.....	13.32
35	Webbs Chapel	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
36	Woodlawn	43.00	....	.....	23.00	.....	.....	7.50	42.50	....	2.05	118.05	.....	.....	118.05
	TOTALS	11,288.26	6.50	187.06	199.56	194.57	158.57	2,120.37	283.67	5.87	225.97	11,489.02	4,866.26	2,377.05	18,732.33

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TABLE VI: B. Y. P. U.'S OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSO. OCT. 1, 1932

	CHURCHES	General Organization?	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Standard Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	No. Taking Study Course	Total No. Daily Bible Readers	Givers in All Unions	Students in College
1	Alexis	Yes		1	1	1	3			15	23	21	59				
2	Belmont, East	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	2	12	14	20	19	65	42	35	65	
3	Belmont, First	Yes	1	2	1	1	5	3	15	36	21	20	92	64	48	73	1
4	Bessemer City	Yes		1	3	4	8	3		36	53	70	159	53	34	49	2
5	*Bethel	No		1	1		2			14	18		32	32	6		
6	*Bruington	No		1		1	2			10		13	23		7	12	
7	Centerview	Yes		1	1	1	3			25	40	30	95				
8	Cherryville	Yes		1	1	1	3	2		15	15	20	50	19	28	24	
9	Cramerton	Yes		2	2	2	6			35	48	49	132	71	59	91	4
10	Dallas	Yes		1	1	1	3			11	18	12	41		20	22	1
11	Gastonia Calvary	Yes		1	1	2	4			17	38	34	89	23	9	22	
12	East	Yes		1	1	2	4										
13	First	Yes		1	2	5	8	2		30	50	135	215	157	105	200	
14	Flint-Groves	Yes		1	1	1	3			24	16	24	64	15	5	18	
15	Loray	Yes	2	3	4	7	16	15	36	41	33	70	180	134	144	147	6
16	So. Marietta	Yes	1	2	1	4	8		8	33	13	50	104	66	38	57	
17	Temple	Yes	1	2	3	4	10		18	22	42	44	126	79	62	80	
18	Hardin	No		1			1			32			32	30	32		
19	Hickory Grove	Yes		1	1	1	3			11	10	8	29				
20	High Shoals	No		1		1	2			26		27	53	15	18	26	
21	Hull's Grove	No	No organization.														
22	Long Creek Memorial	Yes	1	1	1	1	4		18	25	22	18	83	32	38		
23	Lowell, First	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	2	12	19	19	25	75	36	40	42	
24	McAdenville	Yes	1	1	1	2	5		12	19	22	77	130	34	27	31	1
25	Mountain View	No		1			1			29			29	12	10		
26	Mt. Beulah	No		1		1	2			20		6	26	20	3	9	
27	Mt. Holly, First	Yes	1	2	1	3	7	5	17	26	14	38	95	96	67	72	
28	Mt. Zion	No		1		1	2			24		16	40				
29	Ranlo	Yes		1	1	1	3			27	17	49	93			9	
30	Riverside	No	No organization.														
31	Sandy Plains	No		1	1		2			11	16		27				
32	Shady Grove	Yes		1	1	1	3			12	17	11	40				
33	*Spencer Mountain	No		1		1	2										
34	*Tuckaseegee	No	1	1	1	1	4		25	32	13	15	85	31	12	32	
35	Webbs Chapel	No	No organization.														
36	Woodlawn	Yes	1	1	2	2	6		16	20	50	47	133	25	43	10	
	TOTALS		12	40	36	55	143	34	189	711	648	948	2,496	1,086	890	1,084	15

TABLE VII: WOMEN'S WORK

	Churches by Nos.	No. of Woman's Missionary Societie	No. of Y. W. A.'s	No. of G. A.'s	No. of R. A.'s	No. of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Organizations	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s	G. A.'s	R. A.'s	Sunbeam Members	Total Members	Total Enrolled in Mission Study
1	1	1					1	10					10	
2	2	1					1	16					16	
3	3	1	1	2	2	1	7	51	23	21	18	23	136	51
4	4	1	1	1	1		4	25	18	9	15		67	8
5	5	No organization.												
6	6	1					1	15					15	
7	7	1	1			1	3	21	15			20	56	
8	8	1				1	2	32				10	42	
9	9	1	1	2		1	5	40	24	50		35	149	154
10	10	1		1	1	1	4	19		11	5	15	50	8
11	11	1					1	15					15	
12	12	1				1	2	35				15	50	7
13	13	1	1	2	1	1	6	223	28	31	12	45	339	
14	14	1					1	32					32	
15	15	1				1	2	30				20	50	30
16	16	1	1				2	10	15				25	
17	17	No organization.												
18	18	1					1	15					15	
19	19	1		1		1	3	8		8		10	26	
20	20	No organization.												
21	21	No organization.												
22	22	No organization.												
23	23	1				1	2	30				12	42	
24	24	1	1	1		1	4	34	25	25		85	169	61
25	25	No organization.												
26	26	1		2		1	4	8		12		8	28	16
27	27	1	1	2	1	1	6	84	32	27	14	15	172	226
28	28	No organization.												
29	29	1	1	2		1	5	19	13	32		14	78	
30	30	No organization.												
31	31	1					1	22					22	
32	32	No organization.												
33	33	No organization.												
34	34	No organization.												
35	35	No organization.												
*36	36	1					2	12	20				32	
		24	10	16	6	14	70	806	213	226	64	327	1,636	561

* Last available figures.

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HISTORICAL TABLE

YEAR	WHERE HELD	PREACHER	MODERATOR	CLERK
1919	Gastonia First	D. F. Putnam	H. B. Moore	David P. Dellinger
1920	Long Creek Memorial	T. H. King	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1921	Cherryville	T. M. Kester	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1922	Cramerton	T. M. Kester	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1923	Loray Gastonia	E. C. Andrews	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1924	Mount Zion	J. O. Fulbright	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1925	Alexis	W. T. Baucom	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1926	Flint-Groves	O. W. Triplett	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1927	Hickory Grove	J. J. Beach	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1928	Gastonia, Marietta St.	T. L. Cashwell	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1929	Mt. Holly	Dr. B. A. Bowers	R. G. Mace	M. O. Thornburg
1930	Bessemer City	R. A. Kelly	R. G. Mace	M. O. Thornburg
1931	Lowell First	B. F. Austin	R. G. Mace	J. A. Wilkins
1932	Lowell First	F. M. Huggins	R. G. Mace	J. A. Wilkins

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Associational Directory

OFFICERS

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E. V. HUDSON, Clerk and Treasurer.....Cramerton, N. C.
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W. J. FRANCES, Orphanage Representative.....Belmont, N. C.
W. T. BAUCOM, Hospital Representative.....Dallas, N. C.
BRYAN HURD, Sunday School Director.....Cramerton, N. C.
M. L. BARNES, Stewardship Committee.....Mt. Holly, N. C.
MRS. M. L. BARNES, Director of Woman's Work.....Mt. Holly, N. C.

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The Association has no paid employees.

ASSOCIATIONAL AUXILIARIES

B. Y. P. U. Director, Bryan Hurd, Cramerton, N. C.; George Stroupe, President, Alexis, N. C.; Miss Myrtle Abernathy, Secretary & Treasurer, Gastonia, N. C., R. F. D. 2; Miss Kathleen Dobbins, Bessmer City, N. C., Jr. and Intermediate Leader; Winston Crawford, Vice-President, Gastonia, N. C.; M. R. Thomas, District President Gastonia District, Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Ava Stroupe, President, Bessemer City, N. C., Cherryville District; D. L. Friday, President Dallas District, Dallas, N. C.; Mr. Carl Smith, President Mt. Holly and Belmont District, Lowell, N. C.; Miss Julia Hall, Mt. Holly, N. C., Chorister; Miss Jewell Moss, Gastonia, N. C., Pianist.

Sunday School Director, R. M. Stroupe, Mt. Holly, N. C.; R. L. Reid, Secretary & Treasurer, Lowell, N. C.; Group Superintendents, Miss Myrtle Abernathy, Hickory Grove, No. 1; Dewey Bedding, Loray, No. 2; T. S. Summey, Long Creek Memorial, No. 3; L. C. McDowell, Cherryville, No. 4; Pianist, Miss Fae Price, Calvary Church; Chorister, Mr. Moss, Loray Church.

The Associational Meetings of the W. M. U., Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. are not held with the Associational Meeting.

MOTTO: Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God. Col. 4:12.
(Adopted at the organization of the Association, November 4, 1919.)

LIST OF MESSENGERS, 1933 SESSION

ALEXIS—A. L. McAlister, Grace Lewis, Harry Lewis, George W. Stroupe, Mrs. A. L. McAlister, A. L. McAlister.

BELMONT, EAST—Mrs. T. C. Lanier, Mrs. Vada Jenkins, Miss Ethel Chapman, James Helton.

BELMONT, FIRST—A. D. Clemmer.

BESSEMER CITY—Crown Richardson, Mr. J. L. Grant, Mrs. J. L. Grant, Miss Lucy Williams.

BETHEL—

BRUINGTON—J. E. Chromerter, Mrs. R. E. McKelvie, Mrs. Vanie Dellinger, Mrs. Frank H. Morris, S. A. Stroup.

CENTER VIEW—M. S. King, Miss Rosa Mae King, E. S. Auton.

CHERRYVILLE—David P. Dellinger, B. H. Roberts, S. M. Butler.

CRAMERTON—G. V. Hanna, J. B. Walker, S. G. Walker, Bryan Hurd, E. V. Hudson, T. W. Hudspeth, L. D. Flemming.

DALLAS—Charlie Jenkins, Mrs. Latham Friday, Mrs. A. H. Hicks, Mrs. E. A. Adams, Mrs. W. T. Baucom.

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GASTONIA, FIRST—W. B. Haire.

GASTONIA, FLINT GROVES—Miss Bethie McCall, M. R. Thomas, Ransom Carpenter, T. E. Nantz, J. F. Reep, A. L. Cline.

GASTONIA, LORAY—A. D. Blanton, Mrs. B. P. Robertson, Mrs. D. A. Grigg, Clyde Moss, L. J. Waldrop.

GASTONIA, SOUTH MARIETTA STREET—N. C. Sowell.

GASTONIA, TEMPLE—Rev. P. S. Barber, Z. V. Dellinger, W. Arthur Hoffman.

HARDIN—A. A. High, Ruth High, Marguerite White.

HICKORY GROVE—Alfred Lineberger, L. M. Flowers, J. F. Lee, Myrtle Abernathy.

HIGH SHOALS—C. R. Abernathy,

HULLS GROVE—Mrs. Ava Willis, J. C. Willis, Mrs. J. J. Waldrop.

LONG CREEK MEMORIAL—A. P. Holland, Herman Rhyne, T. S. Summey, D. M. Shepherd.

LOWELL FIRST—Mrs. C. C. Reid, L. P. Barnette, Mrs. R. L. Helderman.

McADENVILLE—Mrs. George Gavin, J. L. Brittain.

MOUNTAIN SIDE—J. L. Cloninger.

MT. BEULAH—Mrs. R. E. Drye, J. S. Abernathy, W. P. Biggerstaff.

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MT. ZION—Miss Georgia Maye Hardin, Miss Ola Carpenter, Miss Viola Beam, C. J. Dellinger.

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SHADY GROVE—Mrs. M. S. Bess, Fred F. Stroupe, D. M. Witherspoon.

TUCKASEEGE—J. L. Thomas.

WOODLAWN—W. T. Baucom.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

Wednesday Morning

9:30—Worship: W. A. Hoffman.
9:45—Enrollment.
10:00—Hospitals, 30 minutes: W. T. Baucom.
10:30—Orphanage, 30 minutes: W. J. Francis.
11:00—Ministerial Relief, 20 minutes—C. E. Phillips.
11:20—Sermon.
12:10—Adjournment for Dinner.

Wednesday Afternoon

1:15—Worship: M. P. Rhyne.
1:30—Historical Report, 30 minutes: J. A. Hudson.
2:00—Our School, 30 minutes: E. V. Hudson.
2:30—Woman's Work: Mrs. M. L. Barnes.
3:00—Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

Wednesday Evening

7:30—Church Music: R. A. Kelley. Music and discussion.
8:00—Training Activities:
B. Y. P. U.: Clyde Moody.
Sunday Schools: Bryan Hurd.

Thursday Morning

9:30—Worship: J. B. Payne.
9:45—Missions:
State: D. E. Bobbitt.
Home: F. M. Huggins.
Foreign: B. A. Bowers.
11:30—Evangelism: J. W. Whitley.
12:00—Adjournment and Dinner.

Thursday Afternoon

1:00—Worship: W. P. Biggerstaff.
1:15—Religious Literature: S. M. Stroupe.
1:30—Stewardship: M. L. Barnes.
2:00—School of Missions: T. L. Cashwell.
2:15—Obituary—W. G. Camp.
2:30—Temperance: B. F. Austin.
3:00—Treasurer's Report.
3:05—Report of Executive Committee.
3:20—Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

Proceedings

of the

GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with the

McAdenville Baptist Church

McAdenville, N. C.

FIRST DAY

Wednesday, October 18, 1933, 9:30 *A. M.*

1. M. L. Barnes led the devotional, reading Gen. 1:1, "In the beginning God."

2. Prayer by B. A. Bowers.

3. Enrollment Committee—Geo. W. Davis, J. P. Thomas.

4. Motion to proceed to business without report of Enrollment Committee. The motion was unanimously adopted.

5. Moderator read application of Mountain Side Church for membership in the Association.
Moved that credentials be accepted and delegates seated.

6. Order of business changed to extend Morning Session fifteen minutes to give additional time for Stewardship discussion.

7. Motion to lengthen Morning Session fifteen minutes and Afternoon Session lengthened fifteen minutes. The motion was unanimously adopted.

8. Report on Religious literature by Dr. E. V. Hudson, discussion by A. T. Howell, Representative of the Recorder. The report was unanimously adopted.

9. Report by T. L. Cashwell on Stewardship, motion

to adopt. Discussion, M. L. Barnes recognized T. L. Cashwell, using parable of unjust Steward as basis of message. The vote to adopt was unanimous.

10. The following committees were appointed:

Place and Preacher—B. F. Austin, W. A. Hoffman, C. E. Phillips.

Nominating Committee—T. L. Cashwell, D. C. Wesson, W. W. Rimmer.

Order of Business—W. L. Walters, S. M. Stroup, J. A. Hudson.

11. The following visitors were recognized: A. T. Howell, Paul Baisch, J. T. Roach, formerly of South Fork Association, now in Gaston Association, M. A. Adams, J. D. Moose, Mrs. J. D. Moose, Miss Alma Moose, Chart lotte, N. C.; R. H. Black, North Charlotte, N. C.; C. W. Durden, Mecklenburg; Mr. Fink, Mecklenburg; David E. Bobbitt, New Pastor of Cherryville.

12. Report on Evangelism by B. A. Bowers, motion to adopt. Discussion by C. W. Durden of St. John's Baptist Church, Charlotte. The vote to adopt was unanimously carried.

13. Enrollment Committee reported 72 visitors and 186 messengers.

14. Song: "There is a Fountain."

15. Sermon, W. G. Camp: Reading Rev. 19. Text: Gal. 6:14.

16. Benediction: W. P. Biggerstaff.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

17. Song: "The Banner of the Cross."

18. Devotional led by F. M. Huggins, reading 13th Chapter of I Corinthians.

19. There was a motion to adopt the report on Missions, W. A. Hoffman, presiding. State Missions—W.

W. Rimmer. Home Missions—W. T. Beaucom. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Motion that Foreign Mission report be filed with Clerk for publication without reading. The vote was unanimous.

Discussion: W. W. Rimmer recognized C. W. Durden to dicuss Home and State Missions. W. T. Baucom was recognized to discuss Home Missions. Mr. Baucom yielded floor to Foreign Missions and moved that Foreign Missions report be heard. Motion was unanimously adopted. B. A. Bowers read the report for R. A. Kelly on Foreign Missions. There was a motion to adopt. Discussion by J. A. Hudson on Foreign Missions. A dicussion by W. T. Baucom on Home Missions.

B. A. Bowers recognized and discussed the $100,000 Club. Reports on missions were unanimously adopted.

20. Program Committee recommends that Temperance shall be given 11:45 to 12:00 N. on Thursday's program.

21. Motion that recommendation of Program Committee be adopted. Motion unanimously carried. W. W. Rimmer reports as following for Nominating Committee: T. L. Cashwell, D. C. Wesson, W. W. Rimmer.

22. Motion that a committee be appointed by Moderator to further Evangelism in the Association. Motion unanimously adopted.

23. R. G. Mace reports that resolution as adopted by Association in 1932 and on which he was instructed to present to the State Convention, was reported unfavorably by resolutions committee by the state chairman and asked to be advised. Motion that R. G. Mace be continued as a representative of the Association to bring the matter before the State Convention but that the resolution be held in abeyance for the time being. Motion unanimously adopted.

Wednesday Night Session

24. Song Service—McAdenville Choir.

25. Devotional—S. M. Stroupe of Alexis. Scripture, II Timothy 2: 1-15.

26. Report on B. Y. P. U. Work by Bryan Hurd. Discussion by Bryan Hurd, The motion to adopt was unanimously carried.

27. Report on Sunday Schools by C. B. Moody. Motion to adopt by M. L. Barnes. Discussion by David E. Bobbit. The report was unanimously adopted.

28. Total enrollment to date 405.

29. Benediction by J. D. Moose, Charlotte, N. C.

Thursday Morning Session

30. Song: "Marching to Zion," led by L. J. Waldrop.

31. Devotional by W. P. Biggerstaff and led in prayer.

32. Motion by J. W. Whitley that motion of Brother Rimmer with reference to Evangelism be reconsidered. The motion was unanimously carried. J. W. Whitley moved that the Association elect a Chairman of Evangelism and that this Chairman shall have a Committee of one from each church, same appointed by each chairman. The motion was unanimously carried.

33. Report on Hospitals by W. A. Hoffman, the motion to adopt by J. A. Hudson.

34. The Moderator appointed J. W. Whitley and W. L. Walters as a committee to bring before the body suitable resolutions of respect for W. B. McClure and J. J. Beach.

35. Hospital report discussed by W. A. Hoffman, T. L. Cashwell and W. W. Rimmer. The report was unanimously adopted.

36. Report on Orphanage by D. P. Dellinger, motion to adopt by C. J. Black. Report discussed by D. P. Dellinger and I. G. Greer of the Orphanage. Report adopted unanimously.

37. Report on Ministerial Relief by J. A. Hudson, discussion by J. A. Hudson. Motion to adopt unanimously carried.

Motion to give balance of the time to Ministerial Relief to George W. Griffin of Manteo to discuss aid for churches in industrial and rural districts. Vote unanimously carried.

38. Song: "Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned."

39. W. A. Hoffman, presiding. Woman's Work by Mrs. M. L. Barnes, report read by Mrs. R. L. Stroupe. Motion to adopt. Mrs. M. L. Barnes recognized and called on Mrs. E. V. Hudson for discussion of Young People's work. The report was unanimously carried.

40. Mr. Roberts, pastor at Tuckaseege recognized.

41. Temperance report by John A. Wilkins. Motion to adopt. Discussion by Rev. C. A. Upchurch. The report was unanimously adopted.

Thursday Afternoon Session

42. Song: "Take Time to be Holy."

43. Devotional, Geo. W. Davis reading Luke 8:35. Prayer by J. W. Whitley.

44. L. U. Weston, Huntersville Baptist Church recorganized.

45. Historical report. F. M. Huggins recognized, reports that pastors in their conference decided that such report should not be made at this Session but that a committee should be appointed to draw up a history to be presented at 1934 Session. B. A. Bowers moved that a committee be appointed to draw up a Historical report to supplement Historical sketch previously printed and that such sketch be printed in 1934 Minutes. The motion was unanimously adopted.

46. Report on our Schools by C. J. Black, motion to adopt. Discussion by C. J. Black. Report unanimously adopted.

47. The Moderator appointed the Historical Committee as follows: F. M. Huggins, J. W. Whitley, C. J. Black.

48. Report on School of Missions, D. C. Wesson. Motion to adopt. Discussion by Mrs. E. V. Hudson. Report unanimously adopted.

49. Treasurer's report was read.

50. Report of Executive Committee read by J. A. Wilkins, Clerk.

51. Obituaries by C. E. Phillips.

52. Nominating Committee recommends T. L. Cashwell as Director of Evangelism. Motion to accept report. Vote unanimous.

53 Resolutions Committee moved that resolution be written by committee and handed to Clerk later for publication. Motion unanimously adopted.

54. Report of Order of Business, W. L. Walters. Motion to adopt with permission to committee to make any change necessary. Adopted unanimously.

55. Report on Place and Preacher, C. E. Phillips. Motion to adopt. Vote was unanimously carried.

56. Motion to instruct the Clerk to thank McAdenville Church and D. C. Wesson, pastor, for entertainment. The motion carried unanimously.

57. Benediction: C. J. Black.

R. G. MACE,
Moderator.

J. A. WILKINS, *Clerk.*

Reports

TREASURER'S REPORT, GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1933.

RECEIPTS:

Balance on hand October 1, 1932	$ .31
Received from Churches	160.83
Received from W. M. U.	14.00
Total Receipts	$175.14

DISBURSEMENTS:

Economy Printing Company (Minutes)	$136.00
J. A. Wilkins, Clerk (Salary)	25.00
Postage	6.63
Long distance calls	.60
Stationery	2.00
Total Disbursements	$170.23
Balance on hand October 1, 1933	$ 4.91

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. WILKINS, Treasurer.

REPORT ON PLACE AND PREACHER

Your Committee on Place and Preacher for the meeting of the Association for 1934 submit the following:

PLACE—Hull's Grove.

PREACHER—Rev. O. E. Bobbitt.

B. F. AUSTIN,
C. E. PHILLIPS,
W. A. HUFFMAN.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The Relief and Annuity Board has been in operation more than fifteen years, and in spite of reverses in business conditions, it has made gains each year. Even during the last few years of the depression, the Board has met its every obligation, and has done it with regularity. It is able to do this because its assets have been safeguarded with conscientious care. Its investments have been made in fundamentally sound securities which have yielded an income since 1919 of

$1,720,140.72. And the income earned and collected during the past year was $210,980.76. The interest rate earned in 1932 was more than five per cent. The total income of the Board from all sources was $353,234.54. After deducting all expenditures for benefits, Administration, etc., there was added to the reserves $70,036.76. This brings the total assets of the Board to almost four million dollars.

The benevolent work of the Board from its founding by the Convention, and in accordance with its charter has been conducted under two general divisions: First, Relief; and second, Annuities. The Board has never deviated from these two major methods of operation, though it has broadened the scope of its annuity department, by adding the Service Annuity Division.

The funds that it has gathered through the years for Relief have been applied strictly to Relief work, and the funds gathered for annuities have been applied strictly in that direction. These two general funds are administered separately and neither is drawn upon for the payment of benefits through the other. At the close of last year the board had in Relief benefits more than one and one-half million dollars, and in annuity benefits almost a half million.

However, with the above mentioned sums spent for the relief of our aged ministers, we have only done a small part of what we might have done or what we ought to have done ; but may we hasten to see our error in neglecting these veterans of the Cross; and resolve to do more in the future than we have done in the past for them.

The new Service Annuity Plan, adopted January 1, 1932 by the Southern Convention, seems to be the best method of taking care of our ministers in their old age; and both churches and pastors are urged to investigate this plan and enter into it as soon as possible. It involves a co-operation on the part of the pastor, the church, and the Annuity Board, and takes care of the minister, in his old age, in a beautiful way.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. HUDSON.

CHURCH SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

"There is no better way to create a missionary spirit than by putting on a real School of Missions. Every church in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention could do itself and the Kingdom no better service than by arranging for a School of Missions some time this year or next. The major elements necessary to a successful School of Missions are these: (1) Time; (2) Teachers; (3) Books.

The Church should select a time best suited to the convenience of the church membership. If possible, a time should be selected when there is no conflicts with meeting in any of the church organizations. The time for the church School of Missions should be selected early and published in advance so that everything in church life will adjust itself to the time selected for the School.

The teachers may be selected from the Church membership. They should be selected some time in advance and notified so that they can make the proper preparation. The Home and Foreign Boards will cooperate with churches in helping to secure teachers.

As far as possible, books written by our own Southern Baptist writers should be selected. It is only by these writers that Southern Baptist work is presented."

Respectfully submitted,

D. L. WESSON.

REPORT OF PROMOTION COMMITTEE FOR EVERY MEMBER CANVASS

Instead of having just one central Training School in the Association as we did the year before, your committee arranged for four schools: one in each of the four districts of our Association. The advantages of such an arrangement were proven by the fact that the average attendance for the five nights in all the schools was 299, an increase of nearly 200 per cent over the previous year when just one central school was held.

Twenty-four of the thirty-six churches in the Association were represented in these schools. Twenty-three churches expressed a willingness to cooperate in taking the every member canvass. We understand that some of the churches which did not commit themselves did make the canvass.

We have no way of making any intelligent report as to the results from the canvass, as only four or five churches made any report. We trust however, that since so many churches were represented and so many individuals came under the influence of these schools, much and lasting good was accomplished.

Your Committee wishes to express appreciation for the wonderful cooperation shown by the pastors and workers who gave of their time, talent and substance to make these schools a success. We wish it were possible to have a training school in every church throughout the Association.

We beg to offer one suggestion and make one recommendation.

First, we suggest that our churches be as prompt as possible in getting their reports of the canvass to the Promotion Chairman.

We recommend that the Association elect each year a Director of Stewardship who shall be instructed to form, as soon as possible after such election, an organization composed of one member from each church, and appointed by the church: such an organization to be known as the Stewardship Commission. The duties of this Commission will be to promote and encourage a well-rounded year around study and practice of Stewardship among the membership of our churches. This Commission will replace the present form of organization and methods which functioned for only a few weeks last year.

Respectfully submitted,

T. L. CASHWELL, Chairman.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

The foreign mission enterprise is at the very heart of the Lord's work. Jesus said that the field is the world, and we should try to get the comprehensive vision of our Master. A careful study of the figures concerning our mission work during the past year gives us facts that are discouraging, but there are many things that should give us new courage.

Some of the facts that should cause us grief are:

1. The appropriations by our Foreign Mission Board for the year 1933 are just about three fourths as large as they were for the budget for 1932, and when we compare the present year's budget with that of 1930, we discover that the budget for 1933 is less than half of the appropriations for 1930.

2. During the present year we have lost 17 missionaries by resignation and 2 by death, and there has been a net loss in the missionary personnel of 147 in 7 years. In the face of all this we had to ask 30 missionaries who were on furlough at home to remain here.

3. Our Board was forced to ask 32 other missionaries who were entitled to come home in 1933, to remain on their fields at least one more year, or until such time as the financial condition of the Board would justify it in bringing these missionaries home.

4. Many of our finest young people trained in college and seminary are begging to be sent out, but not a single recruit has been sent out this year.

5. Our debt situation is very serious. We are paying out $65,000 this year for interest on borrowed money. If we could have this

sum of money for the current work, the Board could return the missionaries it is retaining at home and do much else to strengthen our greatly depleted work abroad. Our debt of the first of January, 1933, was $1,115,177.17. We have been able to reduce the debt about $32,000 during the year 1932. We haven't increased it any, and our Board has made heroic efforts to bring its expenditures within it's income. The great debt burden should be lifted as soon as possible.

Some of the things which should greatly encourage us and provoke us all to better works are:

1. The genuine and substantial progress in all our mission fields,

2. A great wave of evangelistic fervor is sweeping thru our churches and large numbers are being saved.

3. During the last year there were 17,284 baptisms, which is 691 more than was reported a year ago, and it is the largest number of baptisms we have ever reported in any one year.

4. We now have 192,078 church members in 2,698 churches. Of these, 1,956 churches are self-supporting. Besides these churches, we have 2,352 outstations, where the gospel is preached, and these may be developed into churches some day.

5. The church members gave last year $354,251, which is more than all the churches in the Southern Baptist Convention gave to the Foreign Mission Board twenty-five years ago.

6. We still have 277 schools in which were gathered 18,789 students last year. Of these, there were 9 training schools for women in which 269 students studied, and there were 15 theological schools in which there were 315 students.

Someone has said that our churches must be **Missionary** or **Missing**. God grant that we may all be missionary in spirit and practice.

Respctfully submitted,

R. A. KELLY

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

During the past one hudred years the Baptist State Convention has pursued an aggressive State Mission Program. This agency has been used to preach the Gospel to the poor and the poor do not always remain poor. Many of those whom State Missions have helped have become our denomination's most loyal and most able supporters.

It has been the policy of the Board not only to aid struggling churches but also to help at strategic points where the local church

cculd not properly take care of the situation. This policy should be continued but retrenchment has been made to the point that not more than one-third as many churches receive aid as was true four years ago.

State Missions, through the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Departments, has stimulated the growth of these departments by assisting in preparing better teachers and workers through great City-Country and Associational wide training courses for workers. The good that has been done in this way can never be told in a report of this kind.

Our period of great depression, which is usually over-emphasized as it touches things spiritual, has been responsible for retrenchment in our State Mission work that is so serious we will never be able to know of its effect. As one can never tell of the good that comes from a forward march, so we will ever know of the evil that comes from failure to move forward. The Board has discontinued the work of the Building Evangelist whose assistance has meant much to many churches carrying on building or remodeling programs. Likewise the work of stimulating cooperative wise leadership among the quarter million Negro Baptists in the State has also been discontinued. The Board still helps in a small way with the work among the Indians and with the Sick at Oteen.

Shall we be content to look at our accomplishments of the past and at the present decline in every department of the work or shall we look to the future with a vision and answer God's call to us to greater usefulness? The work in our own great industrial section must be pressed to the limit if we are to have success and have the approval of our Master. Our people are going to turn to the Baptists as Baptists show themselves to be followers of the commands in the light of the needs of men in this day in which we are living. Our State Mission Board must look with favor on this great section and must lend a helping hand to the end that the situation be saved while we of this section must give of our time and of our substance to the limit if we are able to reach those about us for our Master and give them a place of usefulness in His vineyard. Then too, we have our greatest unsolved problem of the rural churches of North Carolina. This situation must have a more careful and more prayerful study in the future for after all this is the fountain from which all of our cities and great industrial centers continues to draw many of their most useful leaders. Conditions of the past few years have made proper operation of many of our rural churches impossible. Some of these churches may not be important to the work of the de-

nomination as a whole but all of them have a place in the hearts of some and many of them are extremely important to the denomination at large. The sacrifices that many of our brethren have been called upon to make in our rural churches are beyond words to describe.

Your committee would urge our churches to observe State Mission Day in the Sunday Schools on the last Sunday of this month and make a great free-will offering for State Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. RIMMER, Committee.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

For a number of years this Association has overlooked the work of Evangelism. We have had no special committee or program of work along this line. In addition to this the North Carolina Baptist State Mission Board has largely discontinued evangelistic work and has discharged all evangelists.

They must not forget that the Bible is an evangelistic Book, and that the direct command of Christ is to evangelize.

As Baptists who boast of following the teachings of the Holy Scriptures, there is nothing left for us but to put evangelism in the forefront of our work.

Many of the churches of the Association have held good meetings this year and many souls have been saved. However there are many thousands in the territory of the Gaston Association that have not been reached. It is the firm conviction of the writer of this report that we should have a good committee on evangelism and that the committee should be charged with the duty of presenting evangelism to the churches in such a way that a strong effort would be made to carry out the New Testament plan of reaching the lost.

Respectfully submitted,

BARTLETT A. BOWERS.

LETTER FROM MOUNTAINSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

Mountain Side Baptist Church of Spencer Mountain

To

Gaston County Baptist Association,

Greetings:

We send messengers to this meeting and respectfully beg that our church be admitted to membership in your body and that our delegates be seated.

Our church was constituted by the merger of Spencer Mountain and Riverside Baptist Churches, and we subscribe to the Philadelphia Confession of Faith. We are in hearty accord with the polity and tenets of the Baptist Church, are sympathetic with all the work of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and of the Southern Baptist Convention and pledge ourselves to co-operate in all efforts for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom.

This application was approved by our church in conference on the 15th day of October, 1933.

J. B. PAYNE, Moderator.
C. Y. SMITH, Clerk.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

"Finally, Brethren, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." Phil. 4:8.

Surely the things the women of the Gaston County W. M. U. have done are the things we should think on. Last year, perhaps, was the time more garments were made and given to the poor, more food to the hungry and more thought given to the unfortunate, than for many years.

Mrs. Bowers has had no annual reports as yet but we know there were several, seven or eight, schools of missions in the Association last January and February. There have been many classes in our societies since then and we rejoice in the advance made.

Our gifts this year have been slightly larger than last year and we hope to report at the close of the calendar year a ten per cent increase. However our gifts from September 30, 1932 to September 20, 1933 have been $6,193.88 for all causes. Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, $412.39. We now have sixty-five societies to whom we send reports. Only 46 reported to us last quarter. Letters written, 296. Postals written, 15. Societies visited, 9. Meetings held, 4. Long distance phone calls, 10. Societies organized this year, 4. Miles traveled, 763.

There are nine churches who have no missionary organizations. Our Association Aim for the calendar year of 1933 is $6,183.00.

MRS. R. M. STROUPE
For MRS. M. L. BARNES.

HOME MISSIONS REPORT

Our Home Mission Board is doing work in the home land, Cuba and in Panama.

In the home land it is doing work among Foreigners, Indians, Deaf Mutes, Seamen and Negroes. The Board also does work in City Missions, and Good Will Centers.

Among Foreigners we have 38 workers, among the Indians 21, among Deaf Mutes 2, Good Will Centers 14, doing school work 16, among the negroes 8, making a total of 99 workers employed by our Home Mission Board in the home land. They are doing work at 206 points. For this work $40,000 was appropriated last year.

In Cuba.

In Cuba we have 8 American missionaries, 40 native workers and helpers, 83 churches and preaching stations, 8 day schools, 76 Sunday Schools, 48 Women's Societies, 3,338 members. For this work during the past year $30,000 was appropriated and the Cuban Baptists contributed more than $8,000.

Good Will Centers.

We have Good Will Centers at Christopher, Ill., West Frankfort, Ill., Birmingham, Ala., East St. Louis, Ill., New Orleans, La., and the Seamen's Bethel in Jacksonville, Fla., together with the Rescue Mission in New Orleans. In these centers there were held 2,837 services, with a combined attendance of 62,735, and 538 conversions reported for last year.

Panama.

In Panama, we have 5 missionaries and helpers, 9 churches and stations, 5 day schools, with 800 church members. Cost last year, $1,200.

Negroes.

Among 10,000,000 Negroes we have 8 missionaries, 522 churches, 580 conversions last year, 205 additions by letter, sermons and addresses, 686. The cost of this work was $1,600.

Total conversions reported in the Homeland, 1,250. Conversions in Cuba and Panama, 436. Total 1,686.

The Home Board operates one Sanatorium, but it is now self-supporting. There are six field workers.

Building Loan Fund.

This fund is available to churches building, or to refinance building debts. On April 30th, 1933 the records show that 178 churches had been helped in building by this fund to the amount of more than a million dollars.

The Board has reduced its appropriations to the minimum, even its bank creditors agree that it can't be lowered. The interest on our debt alone is $105,000 per year.

There is need for more workers all along the line. But these can not be added without more funds.

Perhaps the best way to create anew the mission spirit is to put on a Church School of Missions annually in every church. Enthusiasm is based on information. We cannot expect our people to give unless they know something about the work and its needs. The responsibility for disseminating this information rests with the churches.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. BAUCOM, Committee.

OUR SCHOOLS

Have our Christian Schools been worth anything to our country during the past years of our history? Have they done anything toward the building of our nation? Have they been supporters of our civilization? What place have they taken anyway? In an address made by Dr. Edwin Poteat at the Baptist State Convention, Raleigh, December 6-10, 1905, he said that Christian education is essential to civilization, then if essential to civilization, what kind of institution can we say aids civilization most? Is it not the denominational schools? Most surely we can. Did not our Christian schools take the lead in education anyway? Which came first, the state school, or the denominational school? Let us look at the statistics just a little while. Out of the first 119 colleges founded east of the Mississippi, 104 were Christian schools. A large percent of our state leaders, a large per cent of educational leaders are graduates of our Christian schools. Without them our country could never have done what it has.

But let us notice our schools as they are today. Which are our schools? Can we name them? Not many can. There was a day when they were household names, but that day has passed. Are they not Wake Forest, Merideth, Chowan, Wingate, Boiling Springs, Mars Hill, Campbell College, and Fruitland? Wake Forest now has 879 students, the greatest number that has ever attended there at one time. Merideth boasts of her large enrollment this year. Our junior colleges are up to their averages and beyond, and many more wanted to go to them this fall but could not, either because they could not secure the funds, or because of a lack of room for them. A crisis

has been reached in the life of our Baptist schools in North Carolina. Can we meet this emergency? Can we judge the future by the past? If we can, we are facing disaster. Dr. Rufus Weaver in an article on "The Evangelical Crisis," says, "Within eleven years, eighty-five institutions representing millions in property, have died, or ceased to function as schools receiving Baptist finanical support." The loss of seminary students has been twenty-nine per cent, and of men in Baptist senior colleges forty per cent, within five years, while 786 teachers in Baptist schools have been thrown out of employment. Accordingly, Dr. Weaver reaches the conclusion that Baptists have shown incompetency in the field of education. Are his conclusions just? Or are they misleading? Are they true? Most surely they are. Baptists have been giving back until they have well nigh surrendered their educational program in many sections. Have we gained by this? I do not think so. We have given back until we cannot go further without irreparable loss to our denomination and to Christianity. There has never been a time when we could make dollars count for the kingdom along educational lines as now. Our state schools are on the decline. They are not half so popular as they once were. They have advanced their tuition and their graduates cannot get jobs any better than our denominational school graduates, and possibly not quite so well. Our communities are wanting religious leaders. They are tired of so many of the things our state schools are sending out, and so they are demanding Christian leaders as they have not for sometime. Why can we not see our opportunity? Why can we not face the situation as God-fearing men and women?

This last word: Let us support them by patronizing them; let us support them by boosting them all we can; let us support them by praying for their leaders, and last, let us support them by leaving them our hard earned dollars to go on with kingdom work while we are waiting for the Lord's return.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. BLACK

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

There is a great variety of literature available today for the reading public. Some of it is bad; some good; some better; and some the best. The question that is vital to our work is to get our Baptist people to read the best. Of the best literature we have abundance. There is no phase of Kingdom work but that there can be found a variety of wholesome and instructive literature upon.

There is a great need of our people possessing a better and a more comprehensive knowledge of our work. The work of God suffers because our church members are ignorant of it. People will not support anything of which they know nothing—or upon which they are uninformed. Until people are informed about our work, and the great needs of the work, they will do little to meet these needs. The very best means to inform and give vision is through reading our periodicals which are published for this purpose.

At least, the following publications should be in every Baptist home: (1) The Biblical Recorder, our own state paper, which gives week by week the most interesting, inspiring, and instructive matter about the work which is being done in our state; (2) Charity and Children, published at Mills Home, and as fine a paper as is published in the state; (3) Home and Foreign Fields, a Southwide mission journal, published by our Sunday School Board; (4) Royal Service, published by the W. M. U.; and the women find their magazine indispensable in their work; (5) Window and World Comrades also published by the W. M. U.; and our girls' auxiliaries find these a great help in their work.

These periodicals cover in a very satisfactory manner our work. It is recommended that the churches lay special stress upon the importance of reading them, and that special efforts be made to increase the number of subscribers to these worthwhile publications.

Respectfully submitted,

E. V. HUDSON.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

In recent years we have witnessed marvelous improvement in Sunday School organization and methods, in management and in equipment. The Sunday School has kept abreast of the times, adapting itself to the demands of a changing world. Yet its mission has remained unchanged. It's text book, it's purpose and aim are the same.

The modern Sunday Schools functions as the real teaching service of the church. It is a church school. It is in the church and is a working part of the church program. The Sunday School has one text book, the Bible, and offers a great opportunity for teaching this Book to humanity.

Our Sunday Schools in this association are realizing in a greater way, as time goes on, the tremenduous responsibility resting on them. Most of them are taking advantage of this opportunity that

is theirs to advance the Kingdom work. Although during the past year the financial crisis was greatest, our Sunday Schools made better progress than at any time in the past.

Nearly all of the schools have held training schools at some time during the year, with large enrollments. There were five standard schools reported. The work, under the leadership of the efficient Associational Superintendent, Mr. R. M. Stroupe, has been carried on very credibly.

At the quarterly meetings, which were well attended, such speakers as Dr. Kitchen, President of Wake Forest College, Mr. R. D. Covington and Prof. I. G. Greer of the Mills Home, were heard in inspiring messages.

At the annual convention which was held on October 8th it was decided to vary the plan of meetings. According to action taken at that time quarterly meetings will be held in each district, under the direction of the district superintendent in January, April, and July, meetings to be held simultaneously on the second Sunday afternoon of the aforenamed months. At the October meeting all the churches will come together at some central place in a great annual rally. It was felt that by having meetings in the various districts we could reach more of our people than we are now reaching.

Officers for the ensuing year were also elected at this meeting, as follows:

Superintendent—R. M. Stroupe, Mount Holly.

Secretary-Treasurer—R. L. Reid, Lowell.

Group Superintendents: No. 1—Miss Myrtle Abernathy, Hickory Grove; No. 2—Dewey Redding, Loray; No. 3—T. S. Summey, Long Creek Memorial; No. 4—L. C. McDowell, Cherryville.

Pianist—Miss Fae Price, Calvary.

Chorister—Mr. Moss, Loray.

Respectfully submitted,
CLYDE B. MOODY.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

In 1919 the prohibition forces of the United States won a great victory by placing the 18th Amendment in the National Constitution. That the clock will soon be turned back at least fourteen years and a new amendment, striking out the 18th Amendment, will be adopted, even the most ardent dry cannot honestly doubt. The only course for those who are opposed to the liquor traffic to follow is to

consider why this victory has been turned into defeat in the short space of fourteen years and to plan the campaign anew and lay the plan carefully and well so that the victory may be permanent when the objective is reached.

The repeal of the 18th Amendment is due, I believe, to three major causes:

1. There has been an organized and determined effort on the part of the fabulously rich to relieve themselves of the necessity of bearing their share of the burden of government, even at the cost of the morals, the health, and happiness and even the lives of those less fortunate.

2. The secular press, as a whole, has been purchased or subsidized by these same interests and the liquor interests themselves. Acting under instructions, therefore, the press has carried on a consistent and continuous attack on the prohibition laws rather than to seek the real cause for laxness in enforcement and to wage a righteous and patriotic fight for the enforcement of the laws as they have stood for these fourteen years.

3. The greatest cause of the repeal of the 18th Amendment, I believe, has been the lethargy of its friends. When the amendment was adopted we became satisfied with the victory and left the enforcement almost entirely to the officers of the law. The wets now say, not without reason, that no law can be enforced unless public opinion demands its enforcement. We have failed in our duty to help crystalize public opinion for the rigid enforcement of the prohibition laws. We have considered the issue settled and have failed to carry on as we should have in the fight for sobriety. We apparently forgot the Biblical teaching that the Devil is always on the alert and that to overcome him we must work and pray without ceasing.

Perhaps (and this is my hope and my prayer) we will profit by the lessons we have learned and enter here and now the liquor fight with renewed energy and renewed courage to carry on daily from now henceforth a never ending fight to withhold the cup from the lips of our brothers whose keepers we are. On November 7th we will have an opportunity to express publicly and emphatically our position as a state on the liquor question. Every Christian should cast his or her ballot in favor of the 18th Amendment and our own state laws and influence every vote possible to have North Carolina and Gaston County stamped as dry whatever the rest of the nation does. Then we must renew our teaching of the curse of alcohol, in our homes, our schools, our Sunday Schools and our churches, to arouse

the public conscience to the fact that it should be a disgrace to allow an appetite to so overcome the will as to take command of and debauch the body.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. WILKINS.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

The Mills Home was established in 1885, and was at first sponsored by the North Carolina Baptist Orphanage Association. But after a few years the North Carolina Baptist State Convention adopted it as one of its charges. On recommendation of the State Convention of 1928 the charter was amended changing the name from Thomasville Baptist Orphanage to The Mills Home in honor of the founder, John H. Mills.

The Home is caring for 633 children and of this number 134 are at the Kennedy Memorial Home. In addition 215 children living with 55 mothers are aided in their own homes through the Mothers' Aid Department. Thus the total number in the North Carolina Baptist charge is 848. Grand total number under its maintenance and tuition is 3,022 not considering the Mother's Aid work.

These dependent helpless ones and hundreds of others look hopefully to us as Baptists to maintain and educate them. We must not fail them. Just a little smpathetic help from the great Baptist hosts of the state will surely divert their lives from uncertain courses into channels of usefulness, good citizenship, moral and religious leaders in the state and nation.

The chief support of the Home comes from the Sunday School collections and Thanksgiving offering. We therefore recommend that each and every Sunday School set aside the collection of one or more Sundays in each month to the Orphanage and also take enough copies of Charity and Children to put one in each family in the Sunday School.

DAVID P. DELLINGER.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

As Jesus sent His apostles forth on their first mission, He definitely defined their work. Matt. 10:7-8: "And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand; heal the sick, cleanse the leper, raise the dead, cast out devils. Freely ye have received, freely give." Jesus himself, was their teacher; He taught both by precept and ex-

ample. He never turned a deaf ear, or withheld a helping hand to the afflicted and suffering. They were to carry on in the Spirit of Jesus, and in an enlarged way what He himself did and commanded. Seeing that He "suffered for us leaving us an example that we should follow in His steps," we must not neglect, or turn over to others what Jesus wants His own to do.

Many of our sick need, and must have treatment in a good hospital or drag out a painful and helpless existence or die a premature death. It would not be wise or even possible for the local church to build, equip, and run its own hospital, but through our co-operative efforts as Baptists we have a well-equipped hospital in Winston-Salem, N. C. For ten years through this agency of healing we have been ministering to the sick and suffering from every walk of life. Thousands have been blessed physically and spiritually during these years. During the past year the demands upon the hospital have increased, while the finances for its operating expenses have decreased. This condition has forced the hospital management to follow one of two courses; turn a deaf ear to the appeal of the afflicted, or go in debt. They chose the latter; but we know only too well what it will mean to follow this course indefinitely.

When we think of North Carolina Baptists, their number and their ability we feel that it is both unnecessary and unchristian to be forced to follow either of the above mentioned courses. There is a better way, we must find and follow it. We offer the following suggestions:

1. Strive to create a favorable consciousness among North Carolina Baptists as to the necessity of this part of our denominational program.

Here as in many other instances it is true that "My people perish for lack of knowledge." Pastors, Sunday School superintendents and teachers, B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U. leaders can do a great work in this respect.

2. Let everyone who loves their denominational work and are able to pay for hospital treatment support our own hospital. This will enlarge its field of service.

3. Send our part-pay patients. Many cannot pay the full amount, but can pay part of it, and will be glad to do so.

4. Send those who cannot pay anything themselves, but the church in the community can and will pay at least $1.50 per day.

5. Emphasize the annual Mothers' Day offering, and once each

year on Mothers' Day send a large love offering to make provision for all the charity work.

6. Let us not forget that in our service we are not only rendering a blessed service to needy humanity, but Jesus said "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. HOFFMAN.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee begs to submit the following report:

Committee recommended the amount of $300.00 from the State Board to help in the spread of the Gospel at Center View Church, Rev. F. M. Huggins, pastor. See statistical tables for detailed report of the work of this church.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. MACE, Moderator,
C. B. MOODY, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

WHEREAS, it has pleased our all wise heavenly Father since the meeting of our last Association to remove from our midst two of our beloved pastors, Rev. W. B. McClure and Rev. J. J. Beach, and,

WHEREAS, we shall miss their fellowship and wise counsel and co-operation in our Lord's work,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That although we the members of the Gaston County Baptist Association deeply mourn the loss of our friends and brothers and co-workers, we bow in humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father who doeth all things well and causes all things to work together for good and for His glory.

2. That we are profoundly thankful to our blessed Lord and Saviour that it was our privilege to know, to love and to serve together with these brethren in our Master's harvest field realizing that all of our future service shall be richer and fuller and sweeter because of their influence upon our work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. WHITLEY,
J. L. WALTERS, Committee.

IN MEMORIAM

ALEXIS:
Mr. Alfred Black
Rev. J. M. Ballard

BELMONT FIRST:
Mrs. Maybelle Helms Worley
Mr. J. L. West
Mrs. George W. Hansel
Mr. K. M. Kee
Mrs. Lee Pennington
Miss Hattie Tucker

BESSEMER CITY:
Mrs. C. C. Noblett
Mrs. Minnie Russell

BRUINGTON:
Robert Bentley
J. J. Spargo
Mrs. J. J. Spargo

CENTERVIEW:
Mr. Talley Medlin
Miss Mary Bullard

CHERRYVILLE:
Mr. Jacob C. McGinnas
Mr. William Roberts
Mr. J. A. Crenshaw

CRAMERTON:
Mr. R. F. Nixon

GASTONIA, EAST:
Mrs. Annie Ledwell
Mrs. J. H. P. Spargo
Mrs. Annie Shaddock

GASTONIA, FIRST:
Mr. Frank Brumley, Deacon
Mr. W. A. McGinnis
Mr. W. N. Bell
Mrs. Maude Whitworth

GASTONIA, LORAY:
Mr. W. L. Kester
Mr. John J. Kinley
Mr. Will Ledford
Miss Ruby Kelley

WEBBS CHAPEL:
Mr. John Carpenter

GASTONIA, SOUTH MARIETTA STREET:
Mrs. John Puckett

GASTONIA, TEMPLE:
Mrs. W. H. McCullough
Mrs G. P. Bridges
Mrs. W. C. Barber
Mrs. Eurena Badger

GASTONIA, CALVARY:
Mrs. D. J. Gardner
Mr. S. P. Allen

HICKORY GROVE:
Mr. A. A. Hovis
Mr. W. W. Ferrell

HULLS GROVE:
Mrs. Margaret Talent
Mrs. Maryan Wilson

HIGH SHOALS:
Mrs. S. W. Shelton
Mrs. J. Mathews

LONG CREEK MEMORIAL:
Mr. J. C. Rhyne
Mr. A. C. Summey
Mrs. Lottie Davis
Mrs. John Shives

LOWELL, FIRST:
Mrs. Cicero Harris

McADENVILLE:
Mrs. Nancy Lawrence
Mrs. Pollie Watts

MT. BEULAH:
Miss Inez Beam

MT. HOLLY, FIRST:
Mrs. N. P. Bumgarner
Mrs. C. P. Hendricks
Mrs. J. A. Broadnax

SANDY PLAINS:
Mrs. J. M. Beaty
Mrs. D. B. Harvell
Mrs. Pink Henderson
Miss Hailey Cole

IN MEMORIAM

REV. W. B. McCLURE

Born September 15, 1861

Died May 19, 1933

Ordained to the Ministry Nov. 5, 1887.

He was pastor of Hickory Grove Church 45 years.

Was also pastor of churches in Lincoln, Catawba, and Gaston Counties.

REV. J. J. BEACH

Born June 23, 1872

Died October 8, 1933

Ordained to the Ministry Nov. 6, 1896.

He was pastor of the Cherryville Church for 9 years.

Served as pastor of various churches in Cities and towns in Alexander, Cleveland and Gaston Counties in North Carolina and was pastor for several years in South Carolina. He also served as Superintendent of Evangelism for the State Mission Board of South Carolina for three and one-half years.

Constitution

Name.

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Gaston County Baptist Association."

Object.

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel (as we hold it) to the people within the bounds of the Association, and so co-operate with the Baptist State Convention.

Membership.

Article 3. The Association shall consist of the officers of the Association, pastors of the churches in the Association, and Messenengers from the churches. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers and one additional messenger for every 100 members or fraction thereof over and above 200 members and also one additional messenger for every five thousand dollars or fraction thereof, contributed to the cause of the two conventions.

Officers.

Article 4. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, a Treasurer and a Clerk, all of whom shall be elected each year by the Association at its Annual Meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The duties of the officers shall correspond to the duties of the same officers in like organizations, or as defined by the Association from time to time.

Boards and Committees.

Article 5. The Association shall elect an Executive Committee each year whose duties shall be to look after having the Gospel preached in all parts of the Association, and to attend to all business of the Association between the sessions and to make such reports as they deem advisable at the Annual Meeting of the Association. The Association may appoint or elect such other Boards or Committees from time to time as circumstances may require.

Time of Meeting

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually, on Wednesday

after the Third Sunday in October. The Moderator may at the request of the Executive Committee change the time or the place of meeting of this Association when it may be deemed by him not expedient to meet at the time or place appointed.

Vacancies.

Article 7. The Moderator in concurrence with the Executive Committee may fill any vacancy occurring between meetings of the Association.

Amendments.

Article 8. This Constitution may be amended at any regular session of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the number enrolled on the first day of the Association.

By-Laws

No By-Laws Adopted: The Association follows Kerfoot's Rules of order for Parliamentary authority.

Proceedings

of the

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNIONS

of the

Gaston County Baptist Association

Bryan Hurd, *Director;* George Stroupe, *President;* Myrtle Abernathy, *Secretary;* Kathleen Dobbins, *Junior-Intermediate Leader.*

The Annual B. Y. P. U. Convention of the Gaston County Baptist Association was held with the First Baptist Church, Bessemer City, Saturday, June 3, 1933, from 10:00 A. M. until 4:00 P. M. Thirty-four churches were represented, 19 pastors and 23 General B. Y. P. U. Directors and a large number from each church were at the Convention.

Dr. B. A. Bowers was the morning speaker, and Miss Winnie Rickett, State B. Y. P. U. Secretary, and Mr. W. A. Harrell of Nashville, Tenn., were the speakers of the afternoon. The keynote of the Convention was, "Looking Unto Jesus" and the Scripture text was Hebrews 12:1, and 2. The program was both inspirational and Educational, and of marked value to our Young People.

At the B. Y. P. U. Convention the following officers were elected:

Mr. George Stroupe, Alexis, N. C., President.

Mr. Winston Crawford, Loray, Gastonia, N. C., Vice-President.

Miss Myrtle Abernathy, Hickory Grove, Gastonia, N. C., Route 2, Secretary and Treasurer.

Mr. M. R. Thomas, Gastonia, N. C., District President, Gastonia District.

Miss Ava Strope, Cherryville, N. C., President, Cherryville-Bessemer City District.

Mr. D. L. Friday, Dallas, N. C., President, Dallas District.

Mr. Carl Smart, Lowell, N. C., President, Belmont-Mt. Holly District.

Miss Kathleen Dobbins, Bessemer City, Junior-Intermediate Leader.

John Hall, Chorister, Mt. Holly.
Jewell Moss, Pianist, Gastonia.

The goals set for the year inspired our Young People for a greater work and thru this inspiration, work and the cooperation and leadership of the pastors of the Association and thru the help and wise instructions of our State Secretary, Miss Winnie Rickett, the B. Y. P. U.'s of our Association today stand at the front, leading in every phase of its program all other Associations in the State, and excelling all previous years of achievements of our Association.

This year's report shows that we have made a gain which is very encouraging and should prompt us to inspire to a greater work and greater achievements during the coming year.

We have in our Association 18 B. A. U.'s, 39 Senior Unions, 42 Intermediate Unions, 59 Junior Unions, 11 Story Hour and 1 Pilgrim Union, a total of 169 Unions, a gain over last report of 26 Unions. Our present enrollment of 2,594 is a gain of more than 100 over last year. 148 Uions had study courses and 1,488 awards were given during the year. We have 36 A-1 Unions and every church reports during the year having one or more Unions.

These are only a few of the achievements of the Young People's work for the year in our Association but should be sufficient to inspire us to a greater work during the years to come.

At the State B. Y. P. U. Convention at Ridgecrest, (July 8-14) this year and at the Regional Convention at Boone, many of the Gaston County Young People aided in the program revealing their ability of leadership and displaying their talent that has been so wonderfully developed thru B. Y. P. U. training.

Our aims for the coming year—To KNOW and to GROW.

Our theme—"Christ Our Authority."
Scripture—First Cor. 15:25—"He Must Reign."

Faithfully submitted,
BRYAN HURD, *Director.*

Proceedings

of the

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

of the

Gaston County Baptist Association

The Fourteenth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Gaston County Baptist Association met with Lowell First Church, Friday, October 6, 1933, with Mrs. M. L. Barnes presiding. The meeting opened at 10 o'clock with the singing of the hymn, "All Hail the Power," followed by prayer of thanksgiving by Dr. B. A. Bowers. The devotional was conducted by Mrs. W. J. Francis, Belmont, N. C., using I Samuel 11th chapter, and was closed with a solo, "Jesus Paid the Price," by Mrs. Asa Cowden of Belmont, as a prayer.

There was a motion that the Order of Business be adopted.

The address of welcome was made by Mrs. Ralph Featherstone, of Lowell, and the response was given by Mrs. Ben Guion, Gastonia.

Recommendations of the State W. M. U. Convention, and of the District W. M. U. meeting were given by Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mt. Holly.

The Treasurer made the following report at this time:

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS:

Sept. 3, Balance brought forward	$ 7.19
Deposit (collected for mission study)	21.60
Books $12.50, Collection at Associational Meeting, $1.10, Loray W. M. S. Asso. Expense Fund $1.00, Bessemer City W. M. S. $2.00; Dallas $1.00, Y. W. A. $1.00, G. A. $1.00, Jr. G. A. $1.00, (Mt. Beulah $1.00).	
Sept. 22, Deposit, Mt. Holly Asso. Expense Fund	3.80
Oct. 15, Deposit, Gastonia First, W. M. S.	10.00
Oct. 15, Deposit, Cherryville	2.25
Oct. 15, Deposit, Belmont, Y. W. A.	.65

Oct. 15, Deposit, Cramerton	2.00
Nov. 1, Deposit, Gastonia, First	5.00
Total Receipts	$52.49

DISBURSEMENTS:

Oct. 29, Mt. Holly News Printing	8.50
Oct. 29, Baptist Book Shop (Mission Study Books)	12.50
Oct. 29, Tax on Checks	.04
Oct. 29, Mrs. Grice Expense	1.75
Oct. 29, Miss Tobiola	2.00
Oct. 29, Mrs. M. L. Barnes (Minutes)	14.00
Tax on Checks	.06
May 19, Mrs. P. S. Vann (Divisional Expense)	5.00
May 19, Mrs. M. L. Barnes (Printing)	2.50
Sept. 25, Mrs. M. L. Barnes (Postage)	2.50
Total Disbursements	$48.85
Cash on hand	3.64
Total	$52.49

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. H. M. CRAIG, Treasurer.

The reports of the District Secretaries were given as follows:

Belmont-Mt. Holly District: Meetings held, 3; traveled 16 miles; mailed 36 cards; mailed three letters. Attendance was splendid at each meeting, the spirit was good, and programs helpful.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. R. M. GODDARD, Secretary

Cherryville-Bessemer City District: Meetings held, 4; average attendance 52; officer's attendance as follows: Mrs. Barnes, Superintendent, 2 meetings; Mrs. Grice, Young People's Leader, 1 meeting; Mrs. Bowers, Mission Study Chairman, 1 meeting; Mrs. Hudson, Personal Service Chairman, 1 meeting. Each of them brought interesting and helpful messages. Mrs. Stroupe, Assistant Superintendent, was also present at one meeting. One meeting was held at Mt. Zion where there are no organizations. A woman's Missionary Society was organized at Webb's Chapel with six women enrolled. One

District meeting was held there. Traveled 300 miles, wrote 21 letters and 25 cards, made 10 visits to various organizations.

MRS. B. H. CARPENTER, Secretary

PERSONAL SERVICE REPORT

"Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it." In a recent magazine there was an interesting article called "Looking Down Wells." A well-digger, who had been trapped in a well for several days, was thinking over the harrowing experience. To a friend who was ministering to his needs he said, "I will never be able to pass by a well without looking down into it." And that is personal service. Looking for another's need, and sharing what we have with her. Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence points out the fact that the miracle at the wedding feast is also a splendid example of personal service. A survey was made by Mary when she found the needs of the hostess. This was followed by a conference with the Lord. It was He who told the servants what methods to use to help out in the situation, and the result was a miracle. And John reported it in his gospel. Our own personal service is no more complicated. The needs of our communities are easy to find. In addition to this local work we are asked to do two other things: send good books to Wingate Junior College, and write to the Orphanage for a name of a woman in our community who is receiving Mother's Aid. After making a survey we must have our conference with the Lord. We can't undertake this important work without knowing His plans first. If we do this, we need not worry about the results. And we ought to report our work because by so doing we encourage other societies to go and do likewise. Last of all, but first in importance, let us not overlook the aim of personal service which is winning souls to Christ. This year there were only three conversions reported from 61 societies. As we go about "looking down wells" of need we must remember that the greatest need of our friend is Christ the Saviour. I submit the following statistical report: Quarterly reports mailed, 244; Quarterly reports received, 86; Number talks made, 4; Number miles traveled, 52.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. E. V. HUDSON, Chairman

MISSION STUDY REPORT

ALEXIS—2 Study Classes.
DALLAS—2 Study Classes, enrolled 8. Seals, 8.

CRAMERTON—1 Study Class, Joint W. M. S., and Y. W. A. Seals, 37. Also held a Church School of Missions.

GASTONIA, FIRST—6 Study Classes. One School of Missions. Seals, 101. Certificates, 24.

MT. HOLLY—1 Church School of Missions. Seals, 53. Certificates, 46.

BELMONT, FIRST—3 Study Classes. Seals, 23.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. B. A. BOWERS, Chairman

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

This report is for three quarters, beginning January 1, 1933 and ending September 30, 1933. Societies reporting for the past three quarters, 45; amount contributed to all causes, $4,819.32; miles traveled, 763; letters written, 296; post cards written, 15; societies visited, 9; meetings held, 4; long distance phone calls, 10; societies organized this year, 3. I also attended the Divisional Meeting in Salisbury, and the State W. M. U. Meeting in Winston-Salem.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. M. L. BARNES

After the adoption of all the reports, Dr. W. H. Williams, Charlotte, N. C., made an inspiring address, having as his subject, "The Heart of Home Missions."

The hymn "Throw Out the Life Line," was then sung, followed by a soul-stirring message on "Re-Thinking Missions," by Mrs. Carter Wright, Field Worker of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The closing prayer was offered by Mr. Lowell Barnette, after which the meeting adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened with singing of "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations," and the devotional was conducted by Mrs. Georgia Meacham, Cramerton, using the first chapter of John, followed by prayer by Mrs. E. V. Hudson.

After singing of hymn "Close to Thee," Mrs. Barnes made a brief talk on the importance of reporting, stress-

ing the need in order that complete report of the work may be made at the close of the year.

The Time and Place Committee reports as follows:

REPORT OF TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE

We, the Time and Place Committee, beg to state that we meet with Centerview Church, Friday after first Sunday in October, 1934.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. VERNON HARRELSON

After the adoption of this report, the Nominating Committee made the following report:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Superintendent .....Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mt. Holly, N. C.
Assistant Superintendent .....Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mt. Holly, N. C.
Secretary .....Mrs. D. P. Stowe, Belmont, N. C.
Treasurer .....Mrs L. C. Rose, Belmont, N. C.
Personal Service .....Mrs. C. W. Nichols, E. Belmont, N. C.
Young People's Leader .....Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.
Mission Study .....Mrs. B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.

The Executive Board to be composed of Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Mrs. D. P. Stowe, Mrs. C. W. Nichols, Mrs. L. C. Rose, Mrs. F M Huggins, Mrs. Ben Guion, Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Miss Naomi Braswell, Mrs. H. B. Moore, Mrs. L. C. McDowell, Miss Lucy Williams, Mrs. R. G. Mace, Mrs. W. J. Francis. The District Secretaries: Mrs. B. H. Carpenter, Cherryville-Bessemer City; Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Dallas Distirct; Mrs. F. M. Huggins, Mt. Holly-Belmont District; Mrs. L. B. Biggers, Gastonia District.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. B. H. MOORE, Ch'm

This report was adopted.

Mrs. W. T. Baucom, as chairman of the Obituary Committee, read several verses from the fourteenth chapter of John prior to reading the following names:

GASTONIA, FIRST—
Mrs. Maude Whitworth
CALVARY—
Mrs. D. J. Gardner
DALLAS, G. A.—
Miss Pauline Lineberger
CENTERVIEW—
Miss Mary Ballard
McADENVILLE—
Mrs. Steve Watts
LONG CREEK MEMORIAL—
Mrs. Lottie Davis
Mrs. John Shives
MT. BEULAH—
Miss Inez Beam
SANDY PLAINS—
Mrs. W. E. Beatty
MT. HOLLY—
Mrs. N. P. Bumgarner

Miss Naomi Braswell sang "Sometime We'll Understand," followed by prayer by Mrs. E. V. Hudson.

The Committee on Plan of Work reported as follows:

REPORT ON PLAN FOR WORK

The Committee on Plan for Work recommends for adoption: 1. The Plan of Work as laid down in the Year Book; 2. The recommendations of the Executive Committee of the State W. M. U., and; 3. The Plan of Work adopted by the Charlotte Division in session in Salisbury in June.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. M. D. HERNDON,
MRS. BEN GUION.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We the Committee on Resolutions beg to submit the following:

1. We want to thank the ladies of the Lowell First Church for their kind invitation, warm words of welcome by Mrs. Ralph Featherstone, their delicious luncheon, and for their generous hospitality extended us today.

2. We want to thank Dr. W. H. Williams, Mrs. Carter Wright, and Miss Tobiola for their inspiring and helpful messges.

3. The entire program has been a success and we wish to thank all those who have taken part on the program.

4. To Mrs. Barnes we desire to express our thanks and appreciation for her faithful work and untiring efforts as Superintendent.

5. We wish to thank Mrs. Grice for her splendid work as Young People's Leader. We regret that she has moved away.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. HENRY HOLDEN, Chairman

This report having been adopted, the officers for the new year were presented to the meeting at this time.

A conference stressing directed personal service, religious literature was conducted in a most helpful manner by Mrs. Carter Wright.

The remainder of the time was given to Young People's work with Mrs. George Grice, Young People's Leader, presiding. Miss Frances Tobiola, of Limestone College, made a most interesting talk, followed by a Poster Parade by the R. A. Band of the First Church, Belmont.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Mr. W. T. Bobbitt, Cherryville, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. M. L. BARNES, Asso. Supt.
MRS. R. M. STROUPE, Sec. Pro-Tem.

DELEGATES

BELMONT FIRST—Mrs. Asa Cowden, Mrs. R. A. Kelly, Mrs. W. J. Francis, Miss Ruth Abee, Mrs. W. L. Kennedy, Mrs. Annie Pence, Mrs. Joe Moore, Mrs. Bill West, Mrs. Frank West, Mrs. P. M. Lewis, Mrs. N. G. Todd, Mr. R. B. Suggs.

GASTONIA FIRST—Mrs. B. A. Bowers, Dr. B. A. Bowers, Mrs. C. P. Nanney, Miss Naomi Braswell, Mrs. M. D. Herndon, Mrs. Ben Guion, Mrs. Ralph Stowe, Mrs. M. O. Thornburg, Mrs. W. B. Hair, Mrs. J. F. Swann, Mrs. W. J. Clifford.

SANDY PLAINS—Mrs. R. B. Dameron, Mrs. J. L. Lewis, Mrs. J. C. Millen.

McADENVILLE—Mrs. Lee Deaton, Mrs. Lee Jenkins, Mrs. Charles Austin, Miss Irene Jenkins, Mrs. A. M. Hooper, Miss Emner Kurley, Mrs. J. H. Bentley, D. C. Wesson, G. R. Abernathy, Mrs. G. R. Abernathy.

MT. HOLLY—Mrs. J. E. Lineberger, Mrs. F. H. Abernathy, Mrs. J. B. Anderson, Mrs. E. B. Arndt, Mrs. E. H. Lawson, Mrs. C. A. Hobbs, M. L. Barnes, Miss Sue Carmichael, Mrs. A. S. Riggs, Miss Osie

Skidmore, Mrs. S. J. Skidmore, Mrs. E. K. Black, Mrs. W. G. Holobaugh, Mrs. N. E. Batchelor, Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mrs. T. L. Ware, Mrs. R. B. Watkins, Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mrs. W. H. Dunn, Miss Ruth Gaffney, Miss Corrie Hollis, Mrs. H. D. Gibson, Mrs. J. L. Cauble, Mrs. T. C. Patterson, Mrs. C. T. Williams, Mrs. Ira Tarpley, Mrs. George Mullis, Mrs. Bessie Youngblood.

CHERRYVILLE—Mrs. L. C. McDowell, Mrs. Vernon Harrellson, Mr. W. T. Bobbitt.

BESSEMER CITY—Mrs. Henry Holden, Mrs. H. P. Keeter, Mrs. M. L. Rhyne, Mrs. W. L. Ford, Mrs. Fred Biggerstaff, Mrs. W. A. Lindsay, Miss Lucy Williams.

STANLEY—Mrs. B. G. Weathers, Mrs. H. M. Craig.

DALLAS—W. T. Baucom, Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Helen Durham, Mrs. A. B. Leeper, Mrs. O. P. Servis.

EAST GASTONIA—Mrs. T. L. Cashwell, Mrs. W. A. Lazenby, Mrs. A. F. Weir, Mrs. D. H. Compbell, Mrs. G. C. Moss, Mrs. Nancy Spargo.

CRAMERTON—Mrs. Leonard Hand, Mrs. J. B. Walker, Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Mrs. Georgia Meacham, Mrs. W. J. Stegall, Mrs. W. H. Chandler, Mrs. W. E. Blanton, Mrs. J. H. Ensley, Mrs. W. L. Beaty, Mrs. H. S. Rotan, Mrs. W. J. Keeter.

MT. BEULAH—Mrs. B. H. Carpenter, Mrs. R. E. Drye.

LOWELL—Mrs. L. A. Padgett, Mrs. R. L. Helderman, Mrs. M. M. Parker, Mrs. L. P. Barnette.

EAST BELMONT—Mrs. C. W. Nichols, Mrs. T. C. Lanier, Mrs. R. G. Mace, Mrs. W. L. Chapman, Mrs. W. D. Nichols.

RANLO—Mrs. O. G. Payseur, Mrs. Clyde Bumgardner, Mrs. Lee Smith.

FLINT GROVES—Mrs. Ransom Carpenter, Mrs. Clarence Fish, Miss Bethie McCall, Miss Minnie McCall.

CENTERVIEW—Mrs. F. M. Huggins, Mrs. Daisy Cook, Mrs. Maggie Yarbrough, Mrs. E. H. Biggerstaff, Mrs. Mizelle Biggerstaff.

WOODLAWN—Mrs. S. M. Wilson, Mrs. L. C. Dellinger.

HICKORY GROVE—Miss Myrtle Abernathy.

HARDIN—Mrs. Ernest W. Friday, Miss Marguerite White.

VISITORS—Mrs. J. W. Bowles, Mrs. George Grice, Mrs. J. L. Putnam, Mrs. T. V. Lineberger, Mrs. W. S. Lander, Mrs. Whitfield Toby, Lincolnton, N. C.; Dr. W. H. Williams, Charlotte, N. C.; Mrs. Carter Wright, Roanoke, Ala.; Miss Frances Tobiola, Gaffney, S. C.

Church Directory

ORDAINED MINISTERS IN THIS ASSOCIATION

Names and Addresses	Church ow Which Member	Ministerial Work
B. F. Austin, E. Gastonia, N. C.	Flint-Groves	Pastor
M. L. Barnes, Mt. Holly, N. C.	M. Holly First	Pastor
P. S. Barker, Pinkey Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia Calvary	Member
Lowell P. Barnett, Lowell, N. C.	Lowell First	Pastor
H. W. Baucom, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C	Bethel	Pastor
W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.	Dallas	Pastor
C. J. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.	Bessemer City	Pastor
David E. Bobbitt, Cherryville, N. C.	Cherryville	Pastor
B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia First	Pastor
Ed. Brown, Hardin, N. C.	Hardin	Member
A. P. Bumgardner, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia, Loray	Member
D. F. Burchfield, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia	Member
W. G. Camp, Cherryville, N. C.	Mt. Beulah	Pastor
T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia, N. C.	East Gastonia	Pastor
Ben Clark, Bessemer City, N. C.	Bessemer City	Member
M. G. Cloer, Gastonia, N. C.	Flint Groves	Member
Geo. W. Davis, Gastonia, N. C.	S. Marietta St.	Pastor
Olin Dellinger, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia First	Member
H. S. Fox, Bessemer City, N. C.	Bessemer City	Member
J. V. Frederick, E. Gastonia, N. C.	Flint Groves	Member
E. G. Grice, Ranlo, N. C.	Ranlo	Member
John A. Hallman, Vale, N. C.	Hull's Grove	Member
R. F. Harrell, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia., Calvary	Member
Geo. C. Harris, Loray, Gastonia, N. C.	Loray	Member
W. A. Hoffman, W. Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia, Temple	Pastor
E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.	Cramerton	Pastor
J. A. Hudson, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia, Calvary	Pastor
F. M. Huggins, Belmont, N. C.	Centerview	Pastor
W. F. Huggins, Alexis, N. C.	Alexis	Member
E. G. Ivery, Loray, Gastonia, N. C.	Loray	Member
R. A. Kelley, Belmont, N. C.	Belmont, First	Pastor
N. L. Lancaster, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia	Member
R. G. Mace, Belmont, N. C.	Belmont, East	Pastor
Geo. Mullis, Mt. Holly, N. C.	Mt. Holly	Member
J. B. Payne, High Shoals, N. C.	Mountain Side	Pastor
C. E. Phillips, Dallas, N. C.	Long Creek Memorial	Pastor

D. F. Putnam, Shelby, N. C. ..... Mt. Zion ..... Pastor
L. G. Redding, Pinkney, Sta., Gastonia, N. C Gastonia, Calvary ... Member
W. W. Rimmer, Cornelius, N. C..... Bruington ..... Pastor
H. M. Roberts, Kings Mountain, N. C. ... Tuckaseege ..... Pastor
T. H. Roach, Rt. 5, Lincolnton, N. C..... Hickory Grove ..... Pastor
W. O. Rivenbark, Loray Sta., Gastonia, N. C. Loray ..... Member
Ralph Rhyne, Gastonia, N. C..... Gastonia ..... Member
M. P. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C..... Sandy Plain ..... Pastor
S. M. Stroupe, Alexis, N. C..... Alexis ..... Pastor
Lester Thomas, Mt. Holly, N. C..... Mt. Holly ..... Member
Lee Wacaster, Cherryville, N. C. ..... Cherryville ..... Member
J. J. Waldrop, Vale, N. C..... Hull's Grove ..... Pastor
W. L. Walters, Gastonia, N. C..... Ranlo ..... Pastor
D. C. Wesson, McAdenville, N. C..... McAdenville ..... Pastor
J. W. Whitley, Gastonia, N. C..... Loray ..... Pastor
R. W. Williams, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia, N. C.. Ranlo ..... Member

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AUXILIARY LEADERS

B. Y. P. U. DIRECTORS AND LEADERS

ALEXIS—Claude Bynum, Director, Iron Station, N. C.; Ralph Cannon, Stanley, N. C. (S); Mrs. S. M. Stroupe (I), Alexis, N. C.; Florence Bynum (J), Iron Station, N. C.

BELMONT EAST—L. H. Warren, Director, Belmont, N. C.; Brady Lanier (A), Belmont, N. C.; Miss Hattie Lanier (S), Belmont, N. C.; Miss Alma Bumgarner (I), Belmont, N. C.; Miss Dot Mace (J), Belmont, N. C.

BELMONT FIRST—Leonard Lay, Director, Belmont, N. C.; Mrs. Knox Wilson (A), Belmont, N. C.; Miss Grace Sparks (S), Belmont, N. C.; Floyd Aldridge (S), Belmont, N. C.; Miss Ruth Abee (J), Belmont, N. C.

BESSEMER CITY—Kathleen Dobbins, Director, Bessemer City, N. C.; Mildred Adams (S), Bessemer City, N. C.; Kathleen Miller (I), Bessemer City, N. C.; FrankBaxter (I), Bessemer City, N. C.; Mrs. Rea Lewis (J), Bessemer City, N. C.; Mrs. Cola Ramsey (J), Bessemer City, N. C.

BRUINGTON—Miss Louise Hoover, Director, Stanley, N. C.

BETHEL—Mr. M. L. Capps, Director, Gastonia, N. C., Rt. 1.

CENTERVIEW—O. R. Stewart, Director, Belmont, N. C.; Rosa Mae King (S), Belmont, N. C.; Grace Pressly (I), Belmont, N. C.; Carrie Lee Harris (J), Belmont, N. C.

CHERRYVILLE—J. P. Costner, Director, Cherryville, N. C.; Miss Gertrude Scism (S), Cherryville, N. C.; R. L. Sharpe (I), Cherryville, N. C.; Miss Ava Stroupe (J), Cherryville, N. C.

CRAMERTON—J. C. Marton, Director, Cramerton, N. C.; Mrs. Georgia Meachem (A), Cramerton, N. C.; Guy Walker (S), Cramerton, N. C.; Rankin Leeper (S), Cramerton, N. C.; Miss Aggie Ashe (I), Cramerton, N. C.; L. D. Fleming (I), Cramerton, N. C.; Miss Irma Fisher (J), Cramerton, N. C.; Miss Gladys Mauney (J), Cramerton, N. C.

DALLAS—D. L. Friday, Director, Dallas, N. C.; Mrs. D. L. Friday (I), Dallas, N. C.; D. L. Friday (J), Dallas, N. C.

GASTONIA, CALVARY—W. D. Shepherd, Director, Pinkney Station, Gastonia, N. C.; Norman Stephenson (S), Victory Station, Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Mildred Small (I), Pinkney Station, Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Mary Davidson (J), Pinkney Station, Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, EAST—Mrs. Doyt. Ledford, Director, Gastonia, N. C.; Robert Huggins (S), Gastonia, N. C.;Doyt. Ledford (I), Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Azalee Smith (I), Gastonia, N. C.; Grover Childers (J), Gastonia, N. C.; Russell Coldwell (J), Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Thelma Gladen (J), Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, FIRST—F. A. Young, Director, Gastonia, N. C.; Robert Wrenn (S), Gastonia, N. C.;Mrs. A. B. Estridge (I), Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs. F. A. Young (J), Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, FLINT GROVES—Garland Powell, Director, Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs. Elsie Carpenter (I), E. Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, LORAY—Winston Crawford, Director, Gastonia, N. C.; C. B. Sossomon, Associate Director, Gastonia, N. C.; Clyde Moss (I), Gastonia, N. C.; Geo. E. Robinson (J), Gastonia, N. C.; Jno. P. Smith (J), Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs. D. A. Grigg (A), Gastonia, N. C.; W. J. Hudson (A), Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Margaret Styres (S), Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Lula Blanton (S), Gastonia, N. C.; Clyde Moss (I), Gastonia, N. C.; J. A. McCullough (I), Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs. Jess Baucom (I), Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Alberta Whitlow (I), Gastonia, N. C.; H. C. Adams (J), Gastonia, N. C.; Leonard Evitt (J), Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Viola Bolch (J), Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Monnie Peeler (J), Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs. Leonard Evitt (J), Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs. J. C. Rhyne (J), Gastonia, N. C.

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Miss Annie Baucom (J), R. F. D. 3, Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, TEMPLE—Doyt Hoffman, Director, W. Gastonia, N. C.; Joe McKenzie (A), W. Gastonia, N. C.; James Carter (S), W. Gastonia, N. C.; Mae Hoffman (I), W. Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs. W. A. Hoffman (I), W. Gastonia, N. C.; Robert Myers (I), W. Gastonia, N. C.; Lola Crisp (J), W. Gastonia, N. C.; Alice Seagle (J), W. Gastonia, N. C.; Walter Fox (J), W. Gastonia, N. C.

HARDIN—J. J. Friday, Director, Dallas, N. C., R. F. D. 1; E. W. Friday (S), R. F. D. 1, Dallas, N. C.

HICKORY GROVE—Miss Hazelene Abernathy, Director, Mt. Holly, N. C., R. F. D.; Miss Rosetta Abernathy (S), Mt. Holly, N. C., R. F. D.; Miss Edna Abernathy (E), R. F. D., Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Lois Lineberger (J), R. F. D., Gastonia, N. C.

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HULL'S GROVE—J. H. Brendie (S), Vale, N. C.

LONG CREEK MEMORIAL—W. G. Coleman, Director, Dallas, N. C.; Mrs. J. E. Brewer (A), Dallas, N. C.; Miss Annie Phillips (S), Dallas, N. C.; Mrs. Carrie Lay (I), Dallas, N. C.; B. M. Holland (J), Dallas, N. C.

LOWELL, FIRST—B. H. Usery, Director, Lowell, N. C.; G. P. Hudspeth (A), Lowell, N. C.; Mrs. Ellen Watts (S), Lowell, N. C.; M. H. Usery (J), S. C. Smart (I), Lowell, N. C.; Mattie Bradford (J), Lowell, N. C.; Homer Price (J), Lowell, N. C.

McANDENVILLE—Lavenia Spargo, Director, Lowell, N. C.; Mrs. J. C. Harris (A), McAdenville, N. C.; Jessie Rankin (S), McAdenville, N. C.; Edith Hooper (I); McAdenville, N. C.; Blanche Poole (J), McAdenville, N. C.

MOUNTAIN SIDE—James Harris (S), Gastonia, N. C., Rt. 2.

MT. BEULAH—A. M. Kiser, Director, Bessemer City, N. C.; Melvin Land (S), Bessemer City, N. C., Rt. 2; Mrs. W. L. Ford (I), Bessemer City, N. C., Rt. 1.

MT. HOLLY, FIRST—Clyde R. Moody, Director, Mt. Holly, N. C.; H. G. Harris (A), Mt. Holly, N. C.; Mrs. F. H. Abernathy (A), Mt. Holly, N. C.; Julian Hall (S), Mt. Holly, N. C.; Mrs. M. L. Barnes (I), Mt. Holly, N. C.; Miss Blanche Lewis (I), Mt. Holly, N. C.; Miss Sue Carmichael (J), Mt. Holly, N. C.; Miss Nellie Kelly (J), Mt. Holly, N. C.; Mrs. W. A. Autrey (J), Mt. Holly, N. C.

MT. ZION—Georgia Mae Harden (S), Cherryville, N. C.; Lee Wacastor (J), Cherryville, N. C.

RANLO—Lesslie Bookout, Director, Ranlo Station, Gastonia, N. C.; W. L. Mashburn (S), Ranlo Station, Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs. Bessie Hancock (I), Ranlo Station, Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Anna Mashburn (J), Ranlo Station, Gastonia, N. C.

ANDY PLAINS—Charles Maten (S), Route 3, Gastonia, N. C.

SHADY GROVE—Daisy Bell Weatherspoon, Director, Cherryville, N. C.; Daisy Bell Weatherspoon (S), Cherryville, N. C.; Clara Dell Stroupe (I), Cherryville, N. C.

TUCKASEEGE—Clyde Beach, Director, Mt. Holly, N. C.; J. L. Tomas (A), Mt. Holly, N. C.; Fred Stafford (S), Mt. Holly, N. C.; Harold Stafford (I), Mt. Holly, N. C.; Mildred Mullis (J), Mt. Holly, N. C.

WOODLAWN—W. G. McArver, Director, Lowell, N. C.; Mrs. W. G. McArver (A), Lowell, N. C.; Amos D. Grant (S), Lowell, N. C.; James McGaha (I), Mrs. G. Bowers (I), Lowell, N. C.; Miss Thelma Ashley (J), Lowell, N. C.; Miss Thelma Carter (J), Lowell, N. C.

W. M. S. PRESIDENTS

ALEXIS—Miss Mamie Rhyne, Route 2, Dallas, N. C.
BELMONT, EAST—Mrs. W. D. Nichols, Belmont, N. C.
BELMONT, FIRST—Mrs. Joe Moore, Belmont, N. C.
BESSEMER CITY—Mrs. T. E. Jackson, Bessemer City, N. C.
BETHEL—Mrs. Myrtle Black, Gastonia, N. C., Route 1.
CENTERVIEW—Mrs. F. M. Huggins, Belmont, N. C.
CHERRYVILLE—Mrs. L. C. McDowell, Cherryville, N. C.
CRAMERTON—Mrs. W. E. Blanton, Cramerton, N. C.
DALLAS—Mrs. J. W. Summey, Dallas, N. C.
GASTONIA, EAST—Mrs. D. C. Warren, East Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FIRST—Mrs. Ben Guion, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FLINT GROVES—Miss Bertha McCall, East Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, LORAY—Mrs. D. A. Grigg, West Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, S. MARIETTA STREET—Mrs. G. H. Rider, R. F. D. 3, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, CALVARY—Mrs. E. R. Holder, Pinkney Station, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, TEMPLE—Mrs. Frank Hedrick, R. F. D. 4, Gastonia, N. C.

HARDIN—Mrs. J. J. Friday, R. F. D. 1, Dallas, N. C.
LOWELL, FIRST—Mrs. L. P. Burnett, Lowell, N. C.
McADENVILLE—Mrs. J. C. Harris, McAdenville, N. C.
MT. BEULAH—Mrs. W. B. Elam, Lincolnton, N. C., R. F. D. 6.
MT. HOLLY—Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mt Holly, N C.
RANLO—Mrs. O. G. Payseur, Ranlo Station, Gastonia, N. C.
SANDY PLAINS—Mrs. J. L. Featherston, Cramerton, N. C.
TUCHASEEGE—Mrs. J. L. Thomas, Mt. Holly, N. C.
WEBB'S CHAPEL—Mrs. W. L. Ballinger, Lincolnton, N. C., Route 3.
WOODLAWN—Mrs. G. Bowers, Lowell, N. C., Art Cloth Station.

Y. W. A. COUNSELLORS

BELMONT, FIRST—Miss Ida Higginbottom, Belmont, N. C.
BESSEMER CITY—Miss Lucy Williams, Bessemer City, N. C.
CRAMERTON—Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.
GASTONIA, EAST—Mrs. T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FIRST—Mrs. J. R. Wright, Gastonia, N. C.
McADENVILLE—Jessie Rankin, McAdenville, N. C.

R. A. LEADERS

BELMONT, FIRST—Floyd Aldridge, Belmont, N. C.; Clyde Clark, Belmont, N. C.
BESSEMER CITY—Mrs. Henry Holden, Bessemer City, N. C.
DALLAS—Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.
GASTONIA, FIRST—Mrs. B. A. Bowers.
McADENVILLE—Mrs. Lottie Brittain, McAdenville, N. C.
MT. BEULAH—Mrs. Herbert Beam, Bessemer City, N. C.
TUCKASEEGE—Mrs. Boyce Mauney, Mt. Holly, N. C.

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BELMONT, EAST—Miss Maude Lee Reep, Belmont, N. C.
BELMONT, FIRST—Miss Pearl Abernathy, Belmont, N. C.; Mrs. W. L. Kennedy, Belmont, N. C.
BESSEMER CITY—Miss Mildred Adams, Bessemer City, N. C.
CRAMERTON—Miss Irma Fisher, Cramerton, N. C.
DALLAS—Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.
GASTONIA, EAST—Mrs. Era Hovis, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FIRST—Mrs. G. G. Willis, Gastonia, N. C.
McADENVILLE—Mrs. Harris, McAdenville, N. C.
MT. BEULAH—Mrs. R. E. Drye, Bessemer City, N. C., Route 1.

MT. HOLLY, FIRST—Mrs. J. D. Hobbs, Jr., Mt. Holly, N. C.
TUCKASEEGE—Mrs. Tom Jones, Mt. Holly, N. C.

SUNBEAM LEADERS

BELMONT, FIRST—Mrs. R. A. Kelly, Belmont, N. C.
BESSEMER CITY—Mrs. J. R. Curtis, Bessemer City, N. C.
CENTERVIEW—Mrs. Fannie Webb, Belmont, N. C.
CHERRYVILLE—Mrs. S. M. Butler, Cherryville, N. C.
CRAMERTON—Mrs. Margaret Nixon, Cramerton, N. C.
DALLAS—Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.
GASTONIA, EAST—Mrs. A. N. Simpson, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FIRST—Mrs. Carl Baber, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, LORAY—Mrs. J. L. Allison, West Gastonia, N. C.
McADENVILLE—Mrs. G. H. Bentley, McAdenville, N. C.
MT. BEULAH—Mrs. Harry Barbee, Lincolnton, N. C., R. F. D. 5.
MT. HOLLY, FIRST—Miss Ossie Skidmore, Mt. Holly, N. C.
TUCKASEEGE—Mrs. J. E. Money, Mt. Holly, N. C.

LAYMEN'S BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS

BELMONT, EAST—T. C. Lanier, Belmont, N. C.
BRUINGTON—Frank Hovis, Stanley, N. C.
LONG CREEK MEMORIAL—J. D. Brewer, Dallas, N. C.

MINISTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR

H. S. Fox, Bessemer City, N. C.

STUDENTS OF MINISTRY

Ralph Rhyne, Mars Hill, N. C.
Olin Dellinger, Baylor University, Texas.
H. S. Fox, Wake Forest, N. C.

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES
Alexis	S. M. Stroupe, Alexis, N. C.	D. B. Bradshaw, Alexis, N. C.
Belmont, East	R. G. Mace, Belmont, N. C.	J. B. Page
Belmont, First	R. A. Kelly, Belmont, N. C.	D. P. Stowe, Belmont, N. C.
Bessemer City	C. J. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.	A. W. Kincaid, Bessemer City, N. C.
Bethel	H. W. Baucom, Victory Sta., Gastonia	Edd Wall, R. 1, Gastonia, N. C.
Bruington	W. W. Rimmer, Cornelius, N. C.	John Morris, Stanley, N. C.
Centerview	F. M. Huggins, Belmont, N. C.	O. R. Stewart, Belmont, N. C.
Cherryville	David E. Bobbitte, Cherryville, N. C.	J. L. Allen, Cherryville, N. C.
Cramerton	Dr. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.	Guy Walker, Cramerton, N. C.
Dallas	Rev. W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.	R. B. Lineberger, Dallas, N. C.
Gastonia, Calvary	J. A. Hudson, Pickney Sta., Gastonia,	R. L. Taylor, Victory Sta., Gastonia
Gastonia, East	T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia, N. C.	B. M. Warren, Gastonia, N. C.
Gastonia, First	B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.	M. O. Thornburg, Gastonia, N. C.
Gastonia, Flint Grove	B. F. Austin, E. Gastonia, N. C.	A. L. Cline, East Gastonia, N. C.
Gastonia, Loray	Dr. J. W. Whitley, Gastonia, N. C.	L. J. Waldrop, Gastonia, N. C.
Gastonia, So. Marietta St.	George W. Davis, Gastonia, N. C.	J. M. Kincaid, Gastonia, N. C.
Gastonia, Temple	W. A. Hoffman, W. Gastonia, N. C.	Otto Perry, Gastonia, N. C.
Hardin	H. W. Baucom, Gastonia, N. C.	J. J. Friday, Rt. 1, Dallas, N. C.
Hickory Grove	T. H. Roach, R. 5, Lincolnton, N. C.	B. J. Hovis, Belmont, N. C.
High Shoals	J. B. Payne, High Shoals, N. C.	J. M. Shelton, High Shoals, N. C.
Hull's Grove	J. J. Waldrop, Vale, N. C.	Claton Willis, Vale, N. C.
Long Creek Memorial	Dr. C. E. Phillips, Dallas, N. C.	B. M. Holland, Dallas, N. C.
Lowell, First	L. P. Barnette, Lowell, N. C.	R. L. Reid, Lowell, N. C.
McAdenville	D. C. Wesson, McAdenville, N. C.	B. H. Walters, McAdenville, N. C.
Mountain Side	J. B. Payne, High Shoals, N. C.	F. L. Hawkins, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.
Mountain View	W. G. Camp, Cherryville, N. C.	Ben Clark, R. 1, Kings Mountain, N. C.
Mt. Beulah	W. G. Camp, Cherryville, N. C.	L. A. Barbee, R. 6, Lincolnton, N. C.
Mt Holly, First	M. L. Barnes, Mt. Holly, N. C.	R. B. Watkins
Mt. Zion	D. F. Putnam, Shelby, N. C.	George D. Beam, Cherryville, N. C.
Ranlo	W. L. Walters, Gastonia, N. C.	W. H. Noblett, Ranlo, N. C.
Sandy Plains	M. P. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C.	J. A. Reneau, R. 3, Gastonia, N. C.
Shady Grove	W. G. Camp, Cherryville, N. C.	Ray Wetherspoon, Kings Mountain, N. C.
Tuckaseege	H. M. Roberts, Kings Mountain, N. C.	J. A. Grice, Mt. Holly, N. C.
Webb's Chapel	M. P. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C.	H. H. Garner, Lincolnton, N. C.
Woodlawn	W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.	W. G. McArver, Lowell, N. C.

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES
Alexis	C. L. Abernathy, Alexis, N. C.	F. B. Morris, Alexis, N. C.
Belmont, East	L. H. Warren, Belmont, N. C.	C. E. Lee, Belmont, N. C.
Belmont, First	James G. Todd, Belmont, N. C.	R. B. Suggs, Sr., Belmont, N .C.
Bessemer City	J. R. Rollins, Bessemer City, N. C.	J. A. Ramsey, Bessemer City, N. C.
Bethel	Ed. Wall, R. 1, Gastonia, N. C.	Ed. Wall, R. 1, Gastonia, N. C.
Bruington	C. E. Branch, Stanley, N. C.	Dr. B. G Withers, Stanley, N. C.
Centerview	C. C. Hotzclaw, Belmont, N. C.	W. S. Haynie, Belmont, N. C.
Cherryville	David P. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.	J. W. Kendrick, Cherryville, N. C.
Cramerton	R. L. Leeper, Cramerton, N. C.	D. M. Ballard, Cramerton, N. C.
Dallas	R. E. Cooke, Dallas, N. C.	E. R. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C.
Gastonia, Calvary	C. C. McArver, Victory Sta., Gastonia	L. L. Love, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.
Gastonia, East	C. W. Cloninger, E. Gastonia, N. C.	C. O. Long, Gastonia, N. C.
Gastonia, First	Herrick Brumley, Gastonia, N. C.	A. Froneberger, Gastonia, N. C.
Gastonia, Flint Grove	A. L. Clyne, E. Gastonia, N. C.	M. R. Thomas, E. Gastonia, N. C.
Gastonia, Loray	John P. Smith, Gastonia, N. C.	R. C. Blanton, Gastonia, N. C.
Gastonia, So. Marietta St.	Cecil S. Withers, Gastonia, N. C.	J. M. Kincaid, Gastonia, N. C.
Gastonia, Temple	Otto Perry, R. 4, Gastonia, N. C.	I. N. Young, W. Gastonia, N. C.
Hardin	John F. Lynn, R.F.D., Dallas, N. C.	E. W. Friday, R. 1, Dallas, N. C.
Hickory Grove	C. F. Lineberger, R.F.D., Mt. Holly, N. C.	C. F. Lineberger, R. 1, Mt. Holly, N. C.
High Shoals	J. T. Lackey, High Shoals, N. C.	R. L. Vanoy, High Shoals, N. C.
Hull's Grove	T. B. Hull, R. 2, Vale, N. C.	W. L. Consler, R. 2, Vale, N. C.
Long Creek Memorial	T. S. Summey, Dallas, N. C.	Lewis Summey, Dallas, N. C.
Lowell, First	J. B. Freeman, Lowell, N. C.	H. H. Roberts, Lowell, N. C.
McAdenville	Fred Hoffman, McAdenville, N. C.	C. E. Austin, McAdenville, N. C.
Mountain Side	C. Y. Smith, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.	C. Y. Smith, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.
Mountain View	J. J. Hollifield, R. 1, Kings Mountain	W. G. Camp, Cherryville, N. C.
Mt. Beulah	M. L. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.	W. B. Elam, R. 6, Lincolnton, N. C.
Mt Holly, First	T. L. Ware, Mt. Holly, N. C.	H. G. Harris, Mt. Holly, N. C.
Mt. Zion	W. C. Houser, Cherryville, N. C.	C. J. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.
Ranlo	W. C. Houser, Cherryville, N. C.	A. C. Warlick, Ranlo, N. C.
Sandy Plains	W. E. Barnes, R. 3, Gastonia, N. C.	J. L. Featherston, Cramerton, N. C.
Shady Grove	D. R. Stroupe, Cherryville, N. C.	D. M. Witherspoon, Cherryville, N. C.
Tuckaseege	L. W. Stafford, Mt. Holly, N. C.	J. M. Beach, Mt. Holly, N. C.
Webb's Chapel	F. B. Carpenter, R. 6, Lincolnton, N. C.	W. R. Hufistetler, Lincolnton, N. C.
Woodlawn	Amos D. Grant, Lowell. N. C.	James McGaha, Lowell, N. C.

TABLE I. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC., GASTON COUNTY BABPIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Village, Town, City, or Country.	When Constituted	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Total Present Me.	Weekly Prayer Meet.	Revivals Held	Lord's Supper	State Papers
Alexis	V	1903	1 3	207	13	6	...	...	3	...	...	2	221	Yes	1	1	2
Belmont, East	T	1912	1 2 3 4	439	23	4	...	...	16	1	10	...	439	Yes	1	4	5
Belmont, First	T	1874	1 2 3 4	460	25	27	2	...	30	...	50	6	428	Yes	1	4	17
Bessemer City	T	1897	1 2 3 4	515	8	13	3	2	15	...	...	2	524	Yes	1	3	8
Bethel	V	1926	2 4	90	3	2	2	...	2	1	...	...	94	Yes	2	3	...
Bruington	T	1891	1 3	298	3	16	...	1	10	...	...	3	305	...	1	1	10
Centerview	V	1921	1 2 3 4	375	18	9	5	...	8	1	29	2	326	Yes	1	4	2
Cherryville	T	1893	1 2 3 4	500	5	5	...	...	25	...	...	3	482	Yes	1	2	35
Cramerton	V	1910	1 2 3 4	532	8	19	...	...	26	...	...	1	532	Yes	1	1	10
Dallas	T	1879	1 2 3 4	230	15	10	1	...	8	...	...	...	248	Yes	1	4	40
Gastonia, Calvary	C	1920	1 2 3 4	405	92	37	3	21	49	3	...	2	504	Yes	2	3	3
Gastonia, East	C	1900	1 2 3 4	489	26	25	1	...	4	3	6	3	525	Yes	2	3	7
Gastonia, First	C	1876	1 2 3 4	1041	42	60	...	...	38	9	...	4	1091	Yes	1	4	...
Gastonia, Flint Grove	C	1923	1 2 3 4	319	17	19	...	1	11	...	...	...	345	Yes	2	3	2
Gastonia, Loray	C	1905	1 2 3 4	971	65	69	2	2	49	21	1	4	1034	Yes	3	4	10
Gastonia, So. Marietta St.	C	1917	1 2 3 4	315	27	8	4	...	18	4	...	1	336	Yes	2	4	...
Gastonia, Temple	C	1926	1 2 3 4	488	28	15	1	...	24	...	...	4	504	Yes	1	4	2
Hardin	V	1929	1 3	132	10	2	...	...	2	...	2	...	140	Yes	2	3	...
Hickory Grove	O	1873	2 4	176	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	176	...	...	...	...
High Shoals	O	1912	1 3	132	5	1	...	...	6	...	...	2	130	Yes	2	1	...
Hull's Grove	O	1890	3	172	10	...	...	...	3	...	...	2	177	Yes	2	1	1
Long Creek Memorial	O	1772	1 2 3 4	447	3	7	2	...	7	...	...	4	448	Yes	1	4	6
Lowell, First	T	1898	1 2 3 4	356	23	19	...	3	19	1	...	1	380	Yes	2	4	...
McAdenville	T	1887	1 2 3 4	247	5	10	...	3	3	2	3	2	275	Yes	1	4	8
Mountain Side	V	1933	2 4	...	1	11	126	...	3	...	...	...	135	...	...	...	...
Mountain View	V	1916	...	72	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	72	Yes	2	1	...
Mt. Beulah	O	1916	2 4	151	4	2	...	...	8	...	26	1	122	...	1	3	5
Mt Holly, First	T	1890	1 2 3 4	593	67	38	2	...	14	...	12	4	760	Yes	2	2	15
Mt. Zion	O	1857	3	228	16	1	...	...	7	...	...	...	238	...	1	1	...
Ranlo	V	1919	1 2 3 4	448	18	18	2	...	21	3	...	...	462	Yes	2	3	...
Sandy Plains	O	1863	2 4	284	5	11	1	...	3	...	...	4	294	...	2	2	...
Shady Grove	O	1880	1 3	116	...	3	...	...	2	...	...	...	117	...	1	...	...
Tuckaseege	V	1912	1 3	274	14	9	1	...	28	6	...	3	267	Yes	1	2	...
Webb's Chapel	O	1892	1 3	92	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	91	...	1	2	...
Woodlawn	V	1930	1 2 3 4	125	21	5	4	...	7	...	...	...	148	Yes	2	2	5
TOTALS	..	....	.....	11,719	620	481	162	33	469	55	139	61	12,372	...	49	87	193

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Village, Town, City, or Country.	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Cradle Roll	Officers and Teachers	Home Department	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Schools Graded	Schools Standard	Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from S. S.	Mission Schools	Enroll. Mission S. S.	D. V. B. S.	Enroll. D. V. B. S.	Av. Att. D. V. B. S.
Alexis	V	14	19	32	27	27	26	...	15	...	150	93	Yes	...	12	12	...	...	...	...	...
Belmont, East	T	27	51	88	59	119	93	96	55	...	578	344	Yes	Yes	27	15	...	...	...	...	...
Belmont, First	T	53	63	76	54	62	72	50	78	24	532	310	Yes	Yes	48	25	...	...	...	...	...
Bessemer City	T	32	65	68	54	116	152	88	50	35	660	257	Yes	...	25	5	...	...	...	...	...
Bethel	O	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	120	60	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bruington	T	18	42	40	34	67	32	...	19	...	243	140	...	...	10	2	...	...	1	50	30
Centerview	V	30	29	68	66	63	86	57	44	27	466	227	Yes	...	4	18	...	...	...	...	...
Cherryville	T	24	35	68	33	79	71	12	32	18	372	152	Yes	...	17	5	...	...	...	...	...
Cramerton	T	45	85	97	72	152	88	44	61	92	682	306	Yes	Yes	32	8	...	...	...	...	...
Dallas	T	25	21	27	22	29	27	28	20	18	217	118	Yes	Yes	11	13	...	...	...	...	...
Gastonia, Calvary	C	33	53	85	62	97	100	20	37	24	511	349	Yes	...	9	50	1	62	...	...	...
Gastonia, East	C	40	62	116	56	86	106	15	51	...	532	294	Yes	...	30	20	...	...	...	...	...
Gastonia, First	C	79	110	149	125	79	348	59	200	79	1228	528	Yes	Yes	100	...	...	...	1	221	185
Gastonia, Flint Grove	C	35	20	80	18	110	80	...	24	...	367	290	...	...	5	6	...	...	...	...	...
Gastonia, Loray	C	96	139	176	105	159	386	55	80	40	1236	415	Yes	Yes	60	65	...	...	...	...	...
Gastonia, So. Marietta St.	C	28	70	89	38	12	95	10	35	...	377	234	Yes	...	20	20	1	25	...	...	...
Gastonia, Temple	C	68	85	136	108	91	126	120	51	...	785	285	Yes	...	23	20	20	...	...	...	...
Hardin	V	...	23	40	13	65	42	...	...	...	183	103	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...
Hickory Grove	O	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	161	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
High Shoals	V	20	26	8	12	46	30	...	9	...	151	115	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hull's Grove	O	7	12	24	22	14	24	...	12	...	115	48	Yes	...	3	10	...	...	1	64	37
Long Creek Memorial	O	12	17	39	43	72	71	...	15	...	269	191	Yes	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...
Lowell, First	T	40	69	74	52	71	107	36	46	...	455	288	Yes	...	15	23	...	...	...	...	...
McAdenville	T	33	59	66	49	43	74	82	25	36	492	236	Yes	...	17	5	...	...	...	...	...
Mountain Side	V	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	150	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mountain View	V	13	9	23	27	11	13	24	22	...	142	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mt. Beulah	O	7	7	20	14	39	25	6	13	...	130	65	Yes	...	7	4	...	...	...	...	...
Mt Holly, First	T	33	68	148	90	116	199	87	30	40	811	420	Yes	...	28	60	...	...	...	...	...
Mt. Zion	O	9	15	34	21	24	28	4	33	...	168	144	Yes	...	9	11	...	...	...	...	...
Ranlo	V	9	15	34	21	24	28	4	33	...	168	144	Yes	...	9	11	...	...	...	...	...
Sandy Plains	O	29	...	23	18	38	121	...	10	...	249	125	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shady Grove	O	6	6	7	21	16	17	...	10	...	83	65	Yes	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuckaseege	V	14	15	15	28	66	65	22	12	...	237	179	...	...	1	10	...	...	...	...	...
Webb's Chapel	O	3	14	10	16	12	17	3	8	...	75	60	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Woodlawn	V	20	14	25	18	35	65	...	14	10	215	185	Yes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTALS	..	902	1318	1985	1398	2040	2814	922	1152	443	13310	6870	...	...	536	427	...	...	...	335	252

TABLE III. CHURCH PROPERTY OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Own Church Buiding	When Was it Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assemb. Rooms	No. Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value of All Church Property	Amt. of Indbtedness	Insurance Carried
Alexis	Yes	1904	Wood	400	5	4	4	2,000	.....	2,000	.....	.....
Belmont, East	Yes	1930	Brick	555	30	9	29	25,000	2,000	27,000	6,500.00	15,000
Belmont, First	Yes	1912	B.-W.	500	6	5	11	29,000	12,000	41,000	4,688.46	16,800
Bessemer City	Yes	1922	Brick	400	16	4	12	40,000	.....	40,000	8,500.00	15,000
Bethel	...	....	Wood	200	3	3	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bruington	Yes	1924	Brick	400	11	2	11	20,000	3,000	23,000	5,990.00	9,000
Centerview	Yes	1924	Brick	600	15	2	15	8,000	2,000	10,000	4,000.00	4,100
Cherryville	Yes	1923	B.-S.	600	23	4	21	50,000	3,500	53,500	11,000.00	25,000
Cramerton	...	1920	Brick	500	4	1	7	55,000	3,000	58,000	.....	25,000
Dallas	Yes	1914	Brick	600	6	5	5	20,000	10,000	30,000	.....	10,000
Gastonia, Calvary	Yes	1923	Brick	475	12	2	10	15,000	2,500	17,500	7,612.28	12,000
Gastonia, East	Yes	1900	Brick	600	12	6	43	30,000	10,000	40,000	4,500.00	21,000
Gastonia, First	Yes	1923	Brick	1392	26	7	41	250,000	30,000	280,000	.....	102,000
Gastonia, Flint Grove	Yes	1923	B.-W.	1000	12	12	12	10,000	.....	10,000	5,231.65	6,500
Gastonia, Loray	Yes	1907	Wood	1200	41	6	41	70,000	20,000	90,000	.....	40,000
Gastonia, So. Marietta St.	Yes	1917	Brick	400	12	7	7	25,000	.....	25,000	4,500.00	10,000
Gastonia, Temple	Yes	1928	Wood	400	30	6	30	8,000	.....	8,000	3,000.00	.....
Hardin	Yes	1929	Brick	400	3	...	3	7,000	.....	*7,000	*11,000.00	4,000
Hickory Grove	Yes	1905	Wood	500	3	2	2	5,000	.....	5,000	.....	.....
High Shoals	Yes	1912	Wood	350	5	...	...	1,500	.....	1,500	.....	.....
Hull's Grove	Yes	1900	Wood	500	6	...	6	2,000	.....	2,000	.....	.....
Long Creek Memorial	Yes	1920	Brick	1000	11	8	8	20,000	2,500	22,500	5,000.00	12,000
Lowell, First	Yes	1928	Brick	500	26	4	22	45,000	.....	45,000	20,000.00	20,000
McAdenville	Yes	1887	Wood	400	9	4	4	5,000	2,500	7,500	88.00	6,000
Mountain Side	Yes	....	.....	360	...	...	4	2,000	.....	2,000	.....	.....
Mountain View	...	....	Wood	300	...	...	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Beulah	Yes	1917	Wood	400	9	8	9	5,250	.....	5,250	.....	.....
Mt Holly, First	Yes	....	Brick	1000	28	2	28	60,000	5,000	65,000	15,000.00	25,000
Mt. Zion	Yes	1903	Wood	400	10	2	3	6,250	.....	6,250	.....	.....
Ranlo	Yes	1903	Wood	400	10	2	3	6,250	.....	6,250	.....	.....
Sandy Plains	Yes	1875	Wood	500	5	4	4	2,000	.....	2,000	.....	750
Shady Grove	Yes	1881	Wood	250	4	4	4	1,500	.....	1,500	.....	.....
Tuckaseege	Yes	1912	Wood	400	1	...	3	2,000	1,500	3,500	.....	.....
Webb's Chapel	Yes	1892	Wood	250	1	1	7	3,000	.....	3,000	.....	300
Woodlawn	No	....	....	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	75	.....	.....
TOTALS	...	....	.....	18132	395	126	421	830,750	109,500	940,325	116,610.39	379,450

TABLE IV. GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S. E.Y.P.U. and W.M.S.	Help Given Local Poor	For Minutes and Clerk	Other Objects	Given by Church	Given by W.M.U. Organizations	Given by S. S.	Total for Local Work Given by Church and All Organizations
Alexis	412.06	.....	46.65	69.95	26.50	83.50	15.50	2.00	.....	529.66	.....	125.50	655.16
Belmont, East	1,360.00	.....	37.00	1.00	340.06	358.62	.....	5.68	.....	1,742.74	1.00	358.62	2,102.36
Belmont, First	2,700.00	142.06	59.37	.....	533.43	322.80	51.74	13.80	.....	3,833.20	.....	.....	3,833.20
Bessemer City	1,258.71	.....	42.00	1,085.34	149.35	225.00	50.00	.....	.....	2,810.40	.....	.....	2,810.40
Bethel	48.08	.....	.....	.....	122.31	.....	.....	.....	.....	170.39	18.78	.....	189.17
Bruington	650.00	.....	25.00	.....	150.00	112.00	5.00	.....	.....	675.00	.....	267.00	942.00
Centerview	1,108.00	9.50	29.67	915.28	207.25	193.96	.....	3.00	.....	2,189.16	2.50	175.00	2,366.66
Cherryville	938.79	.....	21.00	641.34	146.17	233.00	.....	.....	5.00	1,716.33	.....	268.97	1,985.30
Cramerton	2,177.00	.....	50.00	.....	205.42	513.18	41.50	10.00	548.41	3,545.51	.....	.....	3,545.51
Dallas	900.00	.....	25.27	6.70	205.99	145.02	.....	.....	86.66	1,173.73	.....	195.91	1,369.64
Gastonia, Calvary	1,373.34	.....	85.46	285.01	151.31	173.49	.....	12.00	.....	2,078.61	2.00	.....	2,080.61
Gastonia, East	1,950.00	.....	35.71	1,321.84	644.62	274.50	50.00	5.00	157.18	4,438.95	.....	.....	4,438.95
Gastonia, First	3,735.00	948.00	.....	.....	3,452.86	.....	.....	20.00	.....	8,155.86	.....	.....	8,155.86
Gastonia, Flint Grove	1,560.00	.....	30.00	159.90	200.04	172.03	.....	5.00	153.85	2,014.10	.....	266.72	2,280.82
Gastonia, Loray	2,681.84	147.20	182.75	.....	537.07	1,120.63	40.00	10.00	102.92	4,789.73	30.68	.....	4,820.41
Gastonia, So. Marietta	983.00	.....	35.00	40.48	203.27	130.15	.....	.....	.....	1,391.90	.....	.....	1,391.90
Gastonia, Temple	1,455.90	.....	27.00	423.08	434.91	239.12	5.00	5.00	36.76	2,429.66	.....	197.12	2,626.78
Hardin	82.56	.....	.....	.....	57.72	.....	.....	.....	.....	251.40	34.15	.....	285.55
Hickory Grove	186.59	.....	.....	.....	64.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	207.69	43.15	.....	250.84
High Shoals	580.62	.....	28.67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	609.29	.....	.....	609.29
Hull's Grove	73.00	.....	.....	.....	9.20	27.31	7.84	1.00	1.50	73.00	.....	46.49	119.49
Long Creek Memorial	970.30	.....	31.23	270.36	799.63	52.68	.....	.....	18.64	1,826.16	.....	316.68	2,142.84
Lowell, First	1,204.47	.....	20.00	2,955.91	267.02	222.42	.....	2.00	.....	4,336.57	21.95	417.52	4,776.04
McAdenville	1,084.85	.....	42.25	97.81	301.00	173.65	.....	2.00	5.55	1,533.36	.....	173.65	1,707.01
Mountain Side	390.06	10.50	.....	.....	55.80	111.84	.....	4.00	84.61	357.73	.....	229.08	586.81
Mountain View	33.53	.....	.....	.....	.....	60.00	5.60	2.00	.....	99.13	.....	.....	99.13
Mt. Beulah	350.00	.....	21.65	17.30	17.90	95.68	.....	2.85	6.70	409.30	36.80	65.98	512.08
Mt Holly, First	2,606.00	.....	120.00	139.00	401.15	300.00	52.25	10.00	133.42	3,255.82	70.00	530.00	3,855.82
Mt. Zion	300.00	.....	32.70	5.75	4.50	60.36	.....	1.50	.....	344.45	.....	60.36	404.81
Ranlo	1,001.00	150.00	64.82	1,234.89	196.87	148.92	.....	5.00	37.00	2,599.08	.....	239.42	2,838.50
Sandy Plains	388.56	.....	69.75	.....	36.77	58.15	.....	1.25	.....	496.33	.....	58.15	554.48
Shady Grove	200.00	.....	11.50	.....	.....	55.80	.....	3.25	.....	270.55	.....	.....	270.55
Tuckaseege	283.30	.....	79.86	406.69	44.85	162.40	30.00	.....	.....	892.53	.....	123.87	1,016.40
Webb's Chapel	39.17	.....	8.25	125.50	9.60	14.39	2.50	.....	.....	172.92	14.10	12.39	199.41
Woodlawn	728.00	.....	35.00	.....	30.00	300.00	10.00	3.00	30.00	816.00	.....	360.00	1,176.00
TOTALS	35,717.73	1,407.26	1,297.56	10,203.13	10,006.82	6,140.60	366.57	129.33	1,408.20	62,236.24	275.11	4,488.43	66,999.78

TABLE V. GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES, GASTON BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Chr. and Min. Education	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special for Aged Minister's Relief	Other Special Gifts	Total for All Missions Education and Ben. by Church Only	Total Given by the W. M. U. Org.'s	Total Given by Sunday School	Grand Total of All Gifts by All the Church and Org.'s
Alexis	135.45		11.32	27.00	7.00		155.11	16.50		3.70	80.45	126.60	149.03	356.08
Belmont, East	592.78		2.50	16.92			165.95	14.94			532.66	66.17	194.26	793.09
Belmont, First	1,246.09		3.35				151.83	56.00		16.30	1,473.57			1,473.57
Bessemer City		10.00	9.30	16.45	30.36	12.80	76.61	1.50		2.15	47.36	73.20	38.61	159.17
Bethel	4.00										4.00			4.00
Bruington					14.43		47.00		5.00				66.43	66.43
Centerview	28.00		5.57	2.84			58.18	5.79				28.00	72.38	100.38
Cherryville	512.62			6.50	20.00		198.85			8.28	390.87	241.18	114.20	746.25
Cramerton	1,048.42			37.04	72.29		171.11	16.80		29.84	1,221.29	98.41	55.80	1,375.50
Dallas	109.61		37.67	5.75	11.21		71.32	17.50		60.00	169.61	16.96	126.58	313.15
Gastonia, Calvary	70.73						42.78				64.73	6.00	42.78	113.51
Gastonia, East	443.88						274.60	34.75			317.47	126.41	309.35	753.23
Gastonia, First	4,776.22		43.22				512.49	25.00		60.00	4,776.22		640.71	7,739.44
Gastonia, Flint Grove	64.40						27.19	12.60			59.40	5.00	39.79	104.19
Gastonia, Loray	92.45		7.85	7.10	11.82		45.00	20.00		5.50	157.45	32.27		189.72
Gastonia, So. Marietta														
Gastonia, Temple	45.00				13.00		62.00	4.00			58.00		66.00	124.00
Hardin														
Hickory Grove	16.25										91.41			91.41
High Shoals														
Hull's Grove			1.00				13.36	1.00					15.36	15.36
Long Creek Memorial			13.26					9.66					22.92	22.92
Lowell, First	30.17	1.20	8.65		5.00	2.00	7.00			3.10	15.22	19.95		35.17
McAdenville	147.00						49.62				100.10	46.90	49.62	196.62
Mountain Side									4.00				4.00	4.00
Mountain View							1.81	3.89			5.60			5.60
Mt. Beulah			4.10	2.00	4.00	1.50	17.68	7.73	1.85		24.10		14.76	38.86
Mt Holly, First	396.45					12.00	141.90				27.80	402.55	120.00	550.35
Mt. Zion							17.13	8.00					25.13	25.13
Ranlo	79.38										65.00	14.38		79.38
Sandy Plains	13.44		5.63	7.35	3.45		20.68	10.87		11.41	13.44	26.10	33.29	72.83
Shady Grove		32.87					11.75				44.62			44.62
Tuckaseege	13.28			6.64				7.57		4.44		24.46	7.57	31.83
Webb's Chapel			2.75	.35		.60					1.85	2.80		4.65
Woodlawn							25.00				97.00			97.00
TOTALS	9,865.62	44.07	156.17	135.94	192.56	28.90	2,365.95	274.10	10.85	204.72	9,839.22	1,357.34	2,208.57	15,727.44

TABLE VI. B. Y. P. U.'s OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	General Organization?	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Standard Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled
Alexis	Yes	...	1	1	1	3	...	...	16	22	21	59
Belmont, East	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	...	15	15	18	21	69
Belmont, First	Yes	1	2	1	1	5	1	10	29	18	9	66
Bessemer City	Yes	...	1	2	3	6	...	...	14	36	31	81
Bethel	No	...	1	...	...	1	...	16	...	...	...	16
Bruington	No	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	23	...	...	23
Centerview	Yes	...	1	1	1	3	...	...	19	18	27	64
Cherryville	No	...	1	1	1	3	2	...	11	14	18	43
Cramerton	Yes	1	2	2	2	7	...	20	43	46	42	151
Dallas	No	...	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	11	10	21
Gastonia, Calvary	Yes	...	1	1	2	4	...	...	20	20	35	75
Gastonia, East	Yes	...	1	1	1	3	...	...	22	15	36	73
Gastonia, First	Yes	1	1	2	4	8	4	27	22	46	106	201
Gastonia, Flint Grove	No	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	26	...	26
Gastonia, Loray	Yes	2	2	4	7	15	15	24	20	34	81	159
Gastonia, So. Marietta	Yes	1	1	1	4	7	...	9	9	10	41	69
Gastonia, Temple	Yes	1	1	3	3	8	...	19	7	33	44	103
Hardin	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hickory Grove	No	...	1	1	...	2	7	...	15	17	...	32
High Shoals	No	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	15	...	...	15
Hull's Grove	No	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Long Creek Memorial	No	1	1	1	1	4	...	11	16	24	20	71
Lowell, First	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	2	15	12	16	19	62
McAdenville	Yes	1	1	1	2	5	...	11	14	24	30	79
Mountain Side	No	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	16	...	...	16
Mountain View	No	...	*1	...	...	1	...	...	29	...	...	29
Mt. Beulah	No	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	15	4	...	19
Mt Holly, First	Yes	2	1	2	3	8	5	37	19	34	55	145
Mt. Zion	No	...	1	...	1	2	...	...	28	...	10	38
Ranlo	Yes	...	1	1	2	4	...	...	28	24	40	92
Sandy Plains	No	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	12	14	...	26
Shady Grove	Yes	...	1	1	1	3	...	...	10	13	10	33
Tuckaseege	Yes	1	1	2	1	5	...	18	23	25	20	86
Webb's Chapel	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Woodlawn	Yes	1	1	2	2	6	...	8	15	38	36	97
TOTALS	...	15	34	37	46	132	37	240	537	600	762	2139

TABLE VII. WOMAN'S WORK

No. D. Bible Readers	No. Taking Study Course.	Systematic Givers	Students in College	No. W. M. Societies	No. Y. W. A.'s	No. G. A.'s	No. R. A.'s	No. Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Org.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A. Members	G. A. Members	R. A. Membres	Sunbeam Members	Total Mem. Enrolled	Total in Miss. Study
24	30	9	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	10	...	...	...	...	10	...
26	23	59	...	1	...	1	...	...	2	15	...	12	...	...	27	...
34	49	58	...	1	1	2	2	1	7	52	20	14	8	10	104	...
48	77	63	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	25	14	15	8	10	72	...
...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	12	...	...	...	...	12	...
7	22	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
24	25	30	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	15	...	...	...	19	34	...
30	25	28	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	38	...	...	...	14	52	...
68	85	99	...	1	1	1	...	1	4	44	25	20	...	23	112	37
13	19	21	1	1	...	1	1	1	4	21	...	7	5	11	44	...
26	28	32	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	15	...	...	...	...	15	...
29	38	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	4	35	24	18	...	20	97	...
119	167	159	2	1	1	2	1	1	6	216	36	33	14	40	339	128
10	20	12	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	37	...	...	...	...	37	...
109	192	145	15	1	...	...	...	1	2	30	...	...	...	20	50	25
41	36	48	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	10	...	...	...	...	10	...
45	58	59	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10	14	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8	15	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
26	27	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
46	43	49	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	64	...	...	...	...	64	...
31	49	31	...	1	1	1	1	1	5	50	22	25	15	18	130	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	15	5	...	1	...	2	...	1	4	10	...	15	...	10	35	18
117	102	119	...	1	1	2	...	1	5	71	27	43	...	37	178	110
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HISTORICAL TABLE

YEAR	WHERE HELD	PREACHER	MODERATOR	CLERK
1919	Gastonia First	D. F. Putnam	H. B. Moore	David P. Dellinger
1920	Long Creek Memorial	T. H. King	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1921	Cherryville	T. M. Kester	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1922	Cramerton	T. M. Kester	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1923	Loray, Gastonia	E. C. Andrews	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1924	Mount Zion	J. L. Fulbright	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1925	Alexis	W. T. Baucom	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1926	Flint-Groves	O. W. Triplett	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1927	Hickory Grove	J. J. Beach	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1928	Gastonia, Marietta St.	T. L. Cashwell	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1929	Mt. Holly	Dr. B. A. Bowers	R. G. Mace	M. O. Thornburg
1930	Bessemer City	R. A. Kelly	R. G. Mace	M. O. Thornburg
1931	Lowell, First	B. F. Austin	R. G. Mace	J. A. Wilkins
1932	Belmont, East	F. M. Huggins	R. G. Mace	J. A. Wilkins
1933	McAdenville	W. G. Camp	R. G. Mace	J. A. Wilkins

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OFFICERS

R. G. MACE, Moderator ..... Belmont, N. C.
DR. J. W. WHITLEY, Vice-Moderator ..... Gastonia, N. C.
W. L. WALTERS, Clerk and Treasurer ..... Gastonia, N. C.
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W. J. FRANCIS, Orphanage Representative ..... Belmont, N. C.
DR. R. B. GROVES, Hospital Representative ..... Lowell, N. C.
BRYAN HURD, Sunday School Director ..... Cramerton, N. C.
MRS. C. P. NANNY, Director of Woman's Work ..... Gastonia, N. C.
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M. L. BARNES, Chm. Stewardship Committee Mount Holly, N. C.

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Dr. J. W. Whitley ..... Gastonia, N. C.

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES TO REPORT IN 1935

B. T. U.—Clyde B. Moody, Mount Holly, N. C.
Denominational Schools—Dr. B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.
Evangelism—T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia, N. C.
Foreign Missions—W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.
Home Missions—J. A. Hudson, Gastonia, N. C.
Hospitals—Dr. R. B. Groves, Lowell, N. C.
Ministerial Relief—Dr. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.
Obituaries—M. P. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C.
Orphanage—Lowell P. Barnett, Lowell, N. C.
Religious Literature—R. A. Kelly, Belmont, N. C.

State Missions—David P. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.
Stewardship—M. L. Barnes, Mount Holly, N. C.
Sunday Schools—Bryan Hurd, Cramerton, N. C.
School of Missions—Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.
Temperance—F. M. Huggins, Belmont, N. C.
Woman's Work—Mrs. C. P. Nanny, Gastonia, N. C.

Associational Missionary or other paid employe—None.

Standing committees—None.

Representative of Laymen's Movement—None.

The Association does not have within its bounds any Baptist School, Hospital, Encampment or Orphanage.

ASSOCIATIONAL AUXILIARIES

B. T. U.

Clyde B. Moody, Director, Mount Holly, N. C.
George Stroupe, President, Alexis, N. C.
Leonard Lay, Vice-President, Belmont, N. C.
Miss Myrtle Abernethy, Secretary-Treasurer, Gastonia, N. C. Route 2.
Mrs. F. A. Young, Junior-Intermediate Leader, Gastonia, N. C.
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Miss Ava Stroupe, Vice-President, Cherryville-Bessemer City District, Cherryville, N. C.
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D. L. Friday, Vice-President, Dallas District, Dallas, N. C.
Miss Rosa Mae King, Vice-President, Belmont-Mount Holly District, North Belmont, N. C.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

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D. L. Friday, Superintendent, Dallas, N. C.
R. L. Reid, Secretary-Treasurer, Lowell, N. C.
Ed. Powell, Chorister, East Gastonia, N. C.
Miss Alberta Whitlow, Pianist, Gastonia, N. C.
Group Superintendents:
Y. E. Springfield, No. 1, Cramerton, N. C.
D. M. McSwain, No. 2, Gastonia, N. C.
T. S. Summey, No. 3, Dallas, N. C.
Miss Kathleen Dobbins, No. 4, Bessemer City, N. C.

W. M. U.

Mrs. C. P. Nanny, Director and Superintendent, Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. Ben Guion, Assistant Superintendent, Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Secretary, Mount Holly, N. C.
Mrs. A. F. Weir, Treasurer, Gastonia, N. C.
Mrs. H. M. Craig, Personal Service, Stanley, N. C.
Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Young People's Leader, Cramerton, N. C.
Mrs. B. A. Bowers, Mission Study, Gastonia, N. C.

Executive Board Of The County W. M. U.

Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mount Holly, N. C.; Mrs. Ben Guion, Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs. David E. Bobbitt, Cherryville, N. C.; Mrs. A. F. Weir, Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs M. L. Barnes, Mount Holly, N. C.; Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.; Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.; Mrs. H. M. Craig, Stanley, N. C.; Mrs. B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.

The Associational Meetings of the B. Y. P. U., Sunday School, and the W. M. U. are not held with the Associational Meeting. Brief records of the proceedings of the W. M. U. and B. Y. P. U. are within these minutes.

MOTTO

Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God. Col. 4:12.

(Adopted at the organization of the Association, November 4, 1919)

List of Messengers, 1934 Session

ALEXIS—S. M. Stroupe, Mrs. S. M. Stroupe, A. L. McAllister, Mrs. A. L. McAllister.

BELMONT, EAST—P. A. Hicks, Leo Norwood, Ray Farris, Ethel Chapman, Maude Lee Reep, Mrs. Lee Lanier, Alma Bumgardner, Lola Norwood.

BELMONT, FIRST—R. A. Kelly, W. J. Francis, Mrs. W. L. Kennedy, D. P. Stowe.

BETHEL—M. P. Bell, W. Blanchard Horn.

BESSEMER CITY—A. W. Kincaid, C. C. Noblett, B. E. Carpenter.

BRUINGTON—Herman Lineberger, Mrs. Frank H. Morris, Mrs. B. F. Weathers, J. E. Chronister, C. J. Black.

CENTER VIEW—F. M. Huggins, Baxter Black, M. L. Garris, Miss Mazeal Duncan, Miss Pauline Eplee.

CHERRYVILLE—David E. Bobbitt, David P. Dellinger, Mrs. Vernon Harrelson, J. T. Allen, B. H. Roberts, Frank Grigg, Mrs. J. M. Beam.

CRAMERTON—E. V. Hudson, Mrs. E. V. Hudson.

DALLAS—R. B. Lineberger, J. W. McLane.

GASTONIA, CALVARY—J. A. Hudson, Mrs. J. A. Hudson, Mrs. John F. Small, R. F. Harrill.

GASTONIA, EAST—T. L. Cashwell, Mrs. T. L. Cashwell, M. T. Saunders, J. P. Saunders, Mrs. A. F. Weir, G. C. Moss.

GASTONIA, FIRST—B. A. Bowers, Mrs. B. A. Bowers, M. O. Thornburg, Naomi Braswell, Mrs. Anthony Braswell.

GASTONIA, FLINT-GROVES—J. F. Reep, Mrs. J. F. Reep.

GASTONIA, LORAY—J. W. Whitley, B. H. Moss, J. P. Thomas, J. S. Baucom.

GASTONIA, SOUTH MARIETTA STREET—Geo. W. Davis, Mrs. C. S. Withers, Miss Daisy Hawkins.

GASTONIA, TEMPLE—W. Arthur Hoffman, P. S. Barber.

HARDIN—M. R. High.

HICKORY GROVE—W. M. Byers, J. F. Lee, W. W. Abernethy, T. H. Roach, W. T. Rankin, Edith Eplee.

HIGH SHOALS—C. P. Abernethy.

HULL'S GROVE—Nell Miller, Pauline Willis, J. H. Brendle, Edith Brendle, Pauline Houser.

LONG CREEK MEMORIAL—C. E. Phillips, T. S. Summey, Mrs. T. S. Summey, Mrs. J. A. Jarrel.

LOWELL—A E. Clemmer, L. P. Buchanan, Mrs. R. L. Helderman, R. K. Shields, Mrs. Ralph Featherston.

McADENVILLE—D. C. Wesson, Mrs. D. C. Wesson, L. C. Jenkins, Mrs. Lee Deaton, Mrs. L. C. Jenkins, Mrs. J. C. Pence.

MOUNTAIN SIDE—

MOUNTAIN VIEW—

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MOUNT HOLLY—M. L. Barnes, Mrs. M. L. Barnes, W. W. Skidmore, Clyde Moody.

MOUNT ZION—Lee Wacaster, R. C. Hardin, G. L. Dellinger.

RANLO—W. L. Walters, Leslie E. Bookout, Mrs. W. N. Williams. Mrs. J. P. Rowland, Mrs. E. B. Watson, M. D. Dorsey, John M. Layel.

SANDY PLAINS—M. P. Rhyne, J. L. Featherstone, W. E. Beaty, Mrs. Henry L. Bryson, Mrs. J. L. Lewis.

SHADY GROVE—W. G. Camp, F. L. Mauney, Bert Stroupe.

TUCKASEEGE—

WEBB'S CHAPEL—

WOODLAWN—G. G. Bowen, G. W. Tyner, Roy Campbell, Mrs. James McGaha.

VISITORS ENROLLED

W. P. Biggerstaff, Lincolnton, N. C.; B. M. Canup, Mars Hill, N. C.; Rev. C. A. Rhyne, Salisbury, N. C.; Jesse Redding, Gastonia, N. C.; Eva Barfield, East Belmont, N. C.; Mrs. J. H. Brendle, Vale, N.

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RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Sixteenth Annual Session

OF THE

Gaston County Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE

Hull's Grove Baptist Church

Vale, N. C.

FIRST DAY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1934, 9:30 A. M.

1. The Sixteenth Annual Session of the Gaston County Baptist Association convened with the Hull's Grove Baptist Church, Vale, N. C., on Wednesday, October 24, 1934, at 9:30 A. M.

2. The session was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. R. G. Mace, who called on Mr. B. H. Moss to lead the music. Association led in singing "What a Friend We Have In Jesus," by Mr. Moss.

3. P. A. Hicks, pastor East Belmont Baptist Church led in the opening prayer.

4. The devotional service was led by W. A. Hoffman, who read from Acts 9:1-16, using for special emphasis: "Behold He Prayeth" and stressing the importance of prayer.

5. The officers elected and appointed for the present session are as follows: R. G. Mace, Belmont, N. C., Moderator; W. Arthur Hoffman, Gastonia, N. C., Vice Moderator; W. L. Walters, Gastonia, N. C., Clerk and Treasurer.

6. C. E. Phillips and T. H. Roach are appointed as a committee on enrollment.

7. On motion of Dr. E. V. Hudson, second by David P. Dellinger, the Association proceeds without waiting for the report of the committee on enrollment.

8. The Moderator recognized the following visitors to the Association: Rev. J. W. Suttle, Moderator of the Kings Mountain Association; C. P. Gardner, Shelby, N. C.; Rev. C. A. Upchurch, representing the Biblical Recorder; Rev. J. A. McMillan, representing the Mills Home; Rev. Henry Clay Reisner, representing the Baptist Hospital; Mrs. Smith Hageman, Baptist Hospital; P. A. Hicks, Pastor East Belmont Baptist Church.

9. The report on Hospitals was read by David P. Dellinger in the absence of W. T. Baucom. The report was ably discussed by Rev. Henry Clay Reisner and was adopted.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

The New Testament teaches us that the ministry of healing had an important place in the work of Jesus. The demand now being made on the resources of our hospital at Winston-Salem is evidence that we should follow the example of healing set by our Lord. People from all parts of the State are knocking at her doors—some diseased, some deformed, some needing surgical work. Hundreds have come and returned to their homes and families rejoicing in good health. Had it not been for the ministry of our hospital, many of these would now be sleeping in their graves, and many now suffering would soon follow them. See Matt. 4:23; 8:16 and Luke 9:11 for evidence of Jesus' healing ministry.

Since the hospital opened May 28, 1923, up to August 15, 1934, 24,860 patients have entered. During the first half of this year 1,472 have entered. Of these 981 were full pay patients; 555 part pay, and 156 free patients. The cost to the hospital for the free patients for six months was $14,676, or nearly $30,000 per year. How is this cared for?

Mother's Day offering is the only provision made for this work. But last year that offering was only a little above $13,000, or less than half the amount needed. That offering is our great opportunity

to be of real service to our hospital. Much emphasis should be laid on this offering in every Church and Sunday School. Only about half of our Churches even took the offering last year, and many of these did not emphasize it. Let us do better in our association.

As to equipment our hospital is one of the best in N. C. The main building is a fire-proof, five story structure equipped with every modern convenience for the best possible care and treatment of the sick. It has 108 beds. The Nurses' Home is a three story building with 29 rooms, 54 beds, and class rooms and assembly hall.

Sixty medical and surgical doctors can be secured, near at hand, for services in the hospital. A specialist for any case day or night. There are 40 nurses at the service of the hospital at all times.

There are some ways we can help other than through Mother's Day offerings. Churches, or communities that send free patients should, when possible, send $1.50 per day to help the hospital care for such patients. However, our hospital turns none away. Sunday School classes, W. M. S. and Young Peoples' organizations can help by sending sheets, towels, tray covers, napkins and other supplies used in hospital work.

At the final judgment among other things, Jesus will commend His children for visiting the sick, Matt. 25:34-40. Let us visit the sick in our communities and through our hospital, that we, too, may receive the commendation of our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. BAUCOM, Committee

10. On motion of Dr. J. W. Whitley, second by W. A. Hoffman, the time is extended to give full time for Orphanage report.

11. The report on Mills Home was read by J. P. Thomas in the absence of W. J. Francis. On motion of David P. Dellinger, second by M. L. Barnes, the report was adopted after a fine discussion of the report and greetings from the Home by Rev. J. A. McMillan.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

On December 31, 1933, Mills Home had 491 children. Kennedy Home 136. A total of 627. These children are normal children of Baptist parentage mostly, good people, some have had misfortune,

some had financial reverses, some had losses in many ways, and these children are left helpless and look to the Baptists for a chance to be something and amount to something in this world. Mills Home and the Kennedy Home offer to them a home and advantages which other children come by naturally. Let us mention some of the advantages the homes offer:

1. Health—The best of medical attention for eyes, ears, nose, throat, teeth and general physical conditions looked after as well, if not better, than children in their own homes.

2. Education—A good school with the best of teachers and educational advantages equal to any child in our homes.

3. A church atmosphere better in many instances than children in our homes. Church attendance is compulsory and the children are trained in all the organizations of a Baptist Church.

4. Taught to work—There is a growing tendency among young people that it is a disgrace to work. There is nothing which will take the place of honest work and frugality.

Many other exceptional advantages might be mentioned but for lack of space and time, but these are sufficient for those who are not acquainted with the management of the homes.

On January 1, 1934, there were 69 families, with 283 children on the rolls of Mother's Aid. The State of North Carolina is rapidly coming to see that Mother's Aid is the solution of many of our problems socially and it is predicted that sooner or later our institutions will be relieved of that particular problem.

We recommend that all of our Churches continue to contribute one Sunday's collection to the support of these two homes and that a special effort be made at Thanksgiving to contribute at least one day's work to its support. "Inasmuch as ye did it to one of these little ones, ye did it unto Me."

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. FRANCIS, Chairman

12. The report on Ministerial Relief was read by C. E. Phillips who presented to us the needs of our brethren in a very fine way and the report was unanimously adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The greatest institution on earth has been the last to provide against old age dependency, and even yet the Church has not provided in a very great way for its dependents.

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has been in operation for about sixteen years, and it is through this Board that our Relief work is done for our old ministers and their widows. This Board has done all that we have made possible for it to do.

Thousands of our Churches have never been developed to the point of providing adequate current support for their ministers, and because of this, these ministers grow old without any saving to provide against old age dependency, and as long as this condition exists the denomination will be compelled to aid these ministers when they can no longer serve. As much as possible, this work is being done by the Relief Department of the Relief and Annuity Board.

This relief work is dependent upon the success of the Co-operative program, and our people are as loyal to this program as the information they have warrants. Relatively few of our people know enough about their obligation to this work to stimulate them to be more considerate. Few of our people know much about the Co-operative Program, and few of our pastors ever speak of its great work so that our people can appreciate it. When more is said about this great work from the pulpit, there will be greater gifts and more prayerful interest in what is done.

January 1, 1932, the Service Annuity Plan was inaugurated for the purpose of producing annuities so that more adequate support could be given. By this plan the pastor pays a small per cent of his salary, and his Church pays a small amount. These small payments produce annuities to provide against old age dependency. This plan is a co-operative work by the pastor, the Church, and the Annuity Board.

Full information regarding this great work may be had by writing The Relief and Annuity Board of The Southern Baptist Convention, Dallas, Texas.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. PHILLIPS

13. The Moderator appoints the following committees:

Place and Preacher: S. M. Stroupe, W. E. Beaty, J. E. Chronister.

On Order of Business: D. C. Wesson, W. A. Hoffman, Miss Maude Lee Reep.

On Nomination of Officers: M. L. Barnes, M. T. Saunders, J. A. Hudson.

14. W. L. Walters, for the Committee on Order of Business for this session reports the following changes which are adopted by consent: 1:30 P. M. Wednesday, Dr. J. W. Whitley discusses "Active and Inactive Church Members" instead of the Historical Report. 11:30 A. M. Thursday, T. L. Cashwell, discusses "Evangelism" instead of Dr. Whitley. 2:00 P. M. Thursday, J. A. Hudson discusses "School of Missions" instead of T. L. Cashwell.

15. The Committee on enrollment reports that there are 123 delegates and visitors enrolled for the opening session.

16. The Association led in song, "Higher Ground."

17. Sermon by David E. Bobbitt, pastor Cherryville Baptist Church who read from Col. 1st chapter, using as his text verse 18 "That in all things he might have the preeminence."

18. Benediction by David E. Bobbitt.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

19. Song, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart."

20. Devotion was led by M. P. Rhyne who read John 3:14-22 and discussed briefly "Lifting Christ Up," using as a basis, "Even so must the Son of Man be lifted up."

21. The following visitors are recognized: Rev. C. A. Rhyne, pastor Stallings Memorial Baptist Church, Salisbury, N. C.; Rev. W. B. Horn, now pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, this Association; B. M. Canup, Mars Hill College; Miss Lee, Miss Warlick and Mr. Dover, also of Mars Hill College.

22. Dr. J. W. Whitley discusses the subject of "Active and Inactive Church Members" using texts, 1 Cor. 12:27 and Ephesians 5:30.

23. Dr. E. V. Hudson read the report on Our Schools, motion to adopt the report by J. A. Hudson, second by M. L. Barnes. The report was discussed ably by Dr. Hudson and was unanimously adopted.

OUR SCHOOLS

There is still great need for our Christian schools. Education today needs a deeper touch of the spiritual. It is one thing to have a trained mind; it is another thing to have a heart that is trained along with the intellect. The matter of imparting spiritual knowledge is entirely beyond the realm of secular education. State institutions do not attempt to teach it. Therefore, our Christian schools have something to offer its students that the State cannot give—and that something is of infinite value—it is instruction in Christianity. The Christian schools offer the same subjects as do the State schools, the same instruction in all the branches of study, and then goes beyond and imparts religious teaching.

It is agreed that education is of great worth. But its value depends upon the attitude of the mind and heart which is developed simultaneously with the acquisition of useful knowledge. The supremely important thing about an education is not so much what it will do for an individual, but what it will lead that individual to do for others. The fact that one is trained to be an expert farmer, or a good mechanic, or a successful professional man, is not the highest test of an education. But the acid test is the spirit and attitude which the man who is educated has toward his environment. Our Christian schools train their students to be successful in their careers; in addition, they train in the fine graces of Christian service.

Years ago the denominational high schools trained the most of our boys and girls. But this is no longer true. The State now trains them. For this we are grateful. Also the State provides college and university training for great numbers of our young men and women. The Christian schools could not educate all these great numbers. What we must do is to be on the look-out for the best Baptist boys and girls graduating from our high schools and turn them towards our Christian schools. For our great denomination must have leaders who are trained in our own schools. Cultured

and consecrated leadership is one of our great needs, and we must look to our Christian schools to furnish such leadership. We dare not turn over to the State the education and training of our pastors, missionaries and church workers.

The reports from our schools this year thrill our hearts, and encourage us very much. Wake Forest has passed the 1,000 mark for the first time in her history. But a large enrollment of students is not the thing we desire primarily for our senior college. It must make a definite contribution to the spiritual life of our people. Meredith is beginning a great year of work, and everything bids fair to be the best year in her history. Chowan also has bright prospects for a good year. Our junior colleges, Mars Hill and Campbell, have enrollments of around 500 each. The aim of 2,500 students in our schools by 1940 has practically been reached. Our south-wide schools—the Southern Seminary, the Southwestern Seminary, the Bible Institute and the Woman's Training School—report increased attendance.

These schools must have our continued support. They are worthy of it. They are giving back to us in the form of trained leadership and Christian service far more than we are putting into them. Where is there a community that has not been blessed by one or more of our schools? One very effective way to support them is through the Cooperative Program, for a part of the money given through it goes to these schools. Another way to support them is by direct gifts. Also one can help wonderfully by sending the fine boys and girls from our homes and communities to these schools. And let us not forget to pray for them. They need our prayers and our sympathy.

Submitted by

E. V. HUDSON

24. The report on Woman's Work was read by Mrs. M. L. Barnes. Motion to adopt the report by C. J. Black, second by J. P. Thomas. Mrs. Barnes yields the time for discussion of the report to Mrs. B. S. Guion of Gastonia. The report was unanimously adopted. Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the W. M. U. will be found on page 39.

25. Rev. C. A. Upchurch makes announcement on Biblical Recorder.

26. F. M. Huggins makes announcement of the inabil-

ity of the Historical Committee appointed at the last session of the Association to make its report to this session.

27. The Committee on Place and Preacher makes the following report which is adopted: Place of meeting, Bruington. Preacher, P. A. Hicks.

28. Benediction by T. L. Cashwell.

EVENING SESSION WEDNESDAY 7:30

29. The local Church choir led in singing "On Jordan's Stormy Banks."

30. Prayer by Dr. B. A. Bowers.

31. R. A. Kelly and choir from the First Baptist Church, Belmont, rendered a fine program of Church Music. Leslie E. Bookout sang a solo. This was considered one of the finest programs of music to have been rendered on such occasion.

32. The report on B. Y. P. U. work was read by Clyde Moody. Motion to adopt by Dr. B. A. Bowers second by S. M. Stroupe and the report was discussed by P. A. Hicks. For proceedings of B. Y. P. U. Convention see page 36.

33. In the absence of Bryan Hurd, who prepared the report on Sunday Schools, the report on this work was read by D. C. Wesson. Motion to adopt by S. M. Stroupe, second by R. F. Harrill. Brother Wesson brought a very helpful message in discussing the report which was unanimously adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The churches throughout the Association have come to realize the importance of a well organized and a well balanced Sunday School with well trained teachers, and to this end the churches in cooperation with the Sunday School county organization have worked together for the accomplishment of this important goal.

The churches have not only realized the important elements of a good Sunday School, but they have actually put them into practice and, by so doing, we find today our Sunday Schools with the ability and opportunity of teaching God's Word in a manner appreciated by all our people.

We have in our association thirty-five churches, with a Sunday School in each church, and with an enrollment of 12,782, which is 541 more than our church enrollment. This large attendance of our Sunday Schools reminds us of the opportunity we have, and the responsibility which demands that we give prayerful attention for our Sunday School organization and to the teaching of God's Word.

R. M. Stroupe, Associational Sunday School superintendent of the Association, with his associates, have done a wonderful work during the past year, and we should be very grateful to them for their untiring efforts and great accomplishments.

At the annual convention held October 14, at Mount Holly, officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

Superintendent—D. L. Friday, Dallas.

Secretary-Treasurer—R. L. Reid, Lowell.

Chorister—Ed. Powell, E. Gastonia.

Pianist—Alberta Whitlow, Gastonia.

Group Superintendents: No. 1—Y. E. Springfield, Cramerton; No. 2—D. M. McSwain, Gastonia; No. 3—T. S. Summey, Dallas; No. 4—Kathleen Dobbins, Bessemer City.

Respectfully submitted,

BRYAN HURD

34. Benediction by R. A. Kelly.

SECOND DAY

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

35. The Association convenes at 9:30 A. M. with song, "Come Thou Almighty King."

36. Prayer by C. E. Phillips.

37. On motion of David P. Dellinger, second by C. E. Phillips, the Association voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of Wednesday's session.

38. The Moderator called Dr. J. W. Whitley to the chair to preside.

39. Reports on the Mission objects were read as follows:

STATE MISSIONS

The work of State Missions is one of the most important divisions of our denominational program. From its beginning until a quarter of a century ago, State Missions was interested chiefly in aiding weak churches. During this period many churches were helped. Some of these are among our strongest churches. Baptist growth in North Carolina has been due to the aggressive, evangelistic State Mission program. But for the last 25 years other objects have been added to this board.

The following are parts of our State Mission program today: Aiding weak churches, Sunday Schools, and Baptist Young People's work, work among Baptist students in state schools, soldiers at Oteen, work among the Indians in Robeson and Swain counties, and the negroes.

At present the Board is helping fifty missionary pastors who are Ministers to some one hundred and thirty churches.

The Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. departments are making notable advances and are rendering great service to our people.

The work in other channels, namely: student, Indian, Oteen, and negroes, is advancing encouragingly. The support of every Baptist in North Carolina is needed in the support of this important work. The aim of State Missions is to make North Carolina Christian, not in name, but in fact.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID E. BOBBITT

FOREIGN MISSIONS

To give the gospel to the whole world is still the command of the Holy Scriptures and the mighty surging of the heart of a loving God. We need not so much to "Re-think Missions" as we need to "Re-preach Missions and to Re-practice Missions."

We are glad to report larger gifts from the churches and a

wider interest in our Foreign work. The election of Dr. Charles E. Maddry to the office of Corresponding Secretary has added much to the success of the work. He has greatly stirred the souls of our people with his masterful addresses.

The Southern Baptist Convention in session at Fort Worth was shot through with enthusiasm when fifteen young people were appointed Missionaries to work on our various fields. Again God is helping us to answer our own prayers and carry out His great command.

It is the prayer of the writer of this report that as we have scores of volunteers for Foreign work and are enjoying more prosperous times, that our churches stress Missions and that each individual Christian give all that he can for this great and needy work.

Respectfully submitted,

BARTLETT A. BOWERS

HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board is an agency of the Southern Baptist Convention which takes the gospel in all its fullness to our southern states, Cuba and Panama. In promoting this great work, the Board employs 202 missionaries and workers. It maintains in all over 400 mission stations and preaching places, operates in whole or in part, five good-will centers, two Rescue Missions, and a Seamen's Institute. It has fifteen schools operated by its missionaries, and furnishes the property of eight mountain schools free of charge to the local Boards of Trustees for the operation of schools in the mountains. It operates a Tubercular Sanatorium, and has a Building and Loan department with over a million dollars loaned to churches.

Mission work is carried on on the Isthmus of Panama where we have six churches with a membership of 662; in Cuba with 45 churches with a membership of 2 860; among Spanish, French and Italian speaking groups in Texas, New Mexico, Louisiana, Alabama Florida and Oklahoma. Religious work among mixed nationalities is promoted in many of the larger cities, as New Orleans, St. Louis, Christopher and West Frankfort, Ill., and San Antonio, Texas. Only mention can be made of the work among the negroes with only four workers, of work among the deaf with two missionaries in the midst of 45,000 deaf people, of work among the

Indians of a population of 190,068, and of the work of Jewish Missions with a population of 500,000 Jews, ministered to by Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus of Atlanta, Georgia.

Dr. J. B. Lawrence, secretary of the Home Mission Board, says that the outlook for the Board is brighter now than it has been since 1928. "This is not because we are receiving more money, and we are, but it is because of the confidence which the brethren throughout the territory of the convention evidence in the Board." Since 1928 the Board has lived within its income, and paid over $700,000 on the principal of the debts, and the work of making and baptizing disciples has been maintained, and in fact, increased. This is very encouraging.

Dr. Lawrence says: "The challenge of Home Missions is a call to new frontiers of work; it is a call to love for the lost because they are lost, of every tribe and nation, right here in our midst; it is a call of the neighbor to the help of the spiritually helpless who lie wounded and stripped on the side of the road that runs by the door where he lives; it is a call for the adjustment of racial relations here at home that test the Christ-Spirit of our churches and prove or disprove the reality of our mission passion for the love of the people of lands afar to which we are sending missionaries; it is a call to denominational strategy in the winning of the foreigner in our land that we may have his help in winning the foreigner in his land; it's a call to emulate the spirit of Christ who died for the whole human race and who has commissioned us to preach the Gospel both at home and abroad; it is a call to establish, through the Gospel wrought into the actuality of conduct and character, a Christ-like social order here in the home land as a demonstration of what Christ can do for a nation that accepts Him." Then let us give to Home Missions our prayers and gifts that the light of the Gospel may shine afar.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. HUGGINS

In the absence of F. M. Huggins from this session it was moved by Dr. Bowers that the discussion of Missions be taken up now and that the report on Home Missions be inserted in the minutes without reading to the body. David E. Bobbitt was recognized and he, with Dr. Bowers, yields his time to Mr. M. A. Huggins, State Mission Secretary, who spoke to the reports on Missions. Mr. Hug-

gins delivered a very forceful message on the work of the denomination in its various Mission activities. The report was also briefly discussed by the following: Dr. Bowers, F. M. Huggins, W. L. Walters, T. L. Cashwell, C. E. Phillips and W. G. Camp. Vote to adopt reports was unanimous.

40. The Moderator asked Dr. B. A. Bowers to serve on the committee on nomination of officers for the Association in place of M. T. Saunders who was absent from this session.

41. Song, "Send the Light."

42. The report on Evangelism was read by T. L. Cashwell. Motion to adopt the report by Dr. E. V. Hudson, second by Geo. W. Davis. The report was discussed in a helpful manner by T. L. Cashwell and the vote to adopt was unanimous.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

Last year, for the first time in our history, definite provision was made by our association for the promotion of Evangelism within our borders. A very definite plan of work was arranged for which was approved by the pastor's conference and adopted by our executive committee.

The plan called for the voluntary service of pastors who were willing to give of their time in assisting in meetings among some of the weaker churches and in strategic points where there are no Baptist churches. Many of our pastors very readily offered their services gratis.

We give herewith a brief account of the work sponsored by your committee.

The writer assisted in a week's meeting with pastor and members of Bethel church. We were greatly handicapped by very inclement weather. Two professions of faith were the only visible results except a number of public reconsecrations. An offering of $5.17 was turned over to our associational treasurer.

Your superintendant assisted also in a two weeks' meeting at Victory Station, sponsored by the pastors and members of Calvary and Marietta Street churches. Only a few united with these churches as a result, but we feel that great spiritual good came

out of these services. The offering was used in defraying expenses for tent, etc.

The East Church, Gastonia, sponsored a week's meeting in what is known as Modena Extension. Brother W. L. Walters did the preaching there. One or two professions and many public reconsecrations resulted. Only a small offering of a little more than $1.00 was turned into the treasury.

The Ranlo church, W. L. Walters pastor, sponsored a week's meeting at the Priscilla Mill. Brother Walters was assisted by B. F. Austin of the Flint-Groves Church. The interest in this meeting was well worth while. We are unable to give exact figures as to professions, etc.

So far as we know these were the only meetings sponsored by our association. We are glad, however, that successful meetings were held in practically all our churches during the year. Some of the churches enjoyed seasons of reviving.

We offer a brief summary of evangelistic accomplishments by the churches making a report:

Churches reporting—18; meetings held—24; professions—499; number received by Baptism—384; by statement—20; by letter—122; by restoration—12. Total number received as result of meetings—538. Total amount expended for evangelism—$1,937.00.

While the results are not what we might have hoped for, we feel that a worthy beginning has been made. The results amply justify the efforts. We sincerely trust this association will see fit to continue this work, not only for this year, but for years to come. The field is large, the harvest is white. No other work is nearer the heart of our blessed Saviour.

Respectfully submitted,

T. L. CASHWELL, Superintendent

43. Benediction, R. G. Mace.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

44. Song, "Glory to His Name."

45. Devotion was conducted by W. P. Biggerstaff who read from Acts 3rd chapter the account of healing the impotent man.

46. On motion of Dr. J. W. Whitley and second by M. L. Barnes, the Association voted unanimously to have the report on Temperance and that of the Executive Committee inserted in the minutes without being read to the body, the writers of these reports being absent at this session.

TEMPERANCE

In these days of stress and strain, of so-called progress and change, thoughtful souls are constantly asking the question, "whither bound?" As a nation, are we throwing wisdom and caution to the winds? Indications are that we have fallen upon an intemperate era. The World War left the world in chaos. A period of unprecedented prosperity, followed by an unparalled depression, brought about a condition of uncertainty that bred a spirit of extreme unrest. The high tension of the war period undermined the morals of our people to that extent that social customs and amenities were cast aside. As a result, a condition has been brought about which threatens to destroy the very foundations of our civilization.

In many places sexual irregularity has become the conventional thing, profanity punctuates the speech of the so-called better people, and drinking has come to be accepted as the proper thing.

The cigarette manufacturers adopted the slogan, "A Cigarette In The Mouth of Every Woman." How well they have succeeded is only too evident on the streets of every town and city. The beer barons and whiskey kings, with millions of dollars at their command, succeeded in repealing the Eighteenth Amendment on the false plea that drinking would decrease, that the government would receive large revenues and that prosperity would return.

The American people are becoming rapidly sports mad. That which entertains finds a far larger place in our thinking than that which contributes to our welfare.

As a result, our churches are losing the moral and financial support of all too many of our people. The movies are crowded at the hour of mid-week prayer service, while the churches go begging for congregations.

Brethren, this ought not so to be. There is an urgent challenge to every child of God. If our civilization is to be saved, it must be

done by the churches. To that end we make the following recommendations:

1. That our churches begin an active campaign to teach our people the evils of strong drink, the moral and physical dangers to our young women in cigarette smoking and the dangers, physical, mental and moral of sexual indulgence.

2. That every christian recognize his civic responsibility and exercise the right of franchise in behalf of decency and good government.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. MACE

47. Dr. J. W. Whitley offers the following recommendation and moves its adoption. The motion to adopt the recommendation was seconded by F. M. Huggins and was unanimously adopted.

RECOMMENDATION

We, the Gaston County Baptist Association commend our Executive Committee for providing a session extraordinary last spring, and commend the idea for the coming spring.

48. S. M. Stroupe reads the report on Religious Literature and after motion to adopt same was discussed by him and the report was adopted by a unanimous vote.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Our Religious Literature is vital and distinct in our denominational life. It is necessary to the mental and spiritual development of our many Baptists. The printing press is one of God's mightiest agencies in the moral, intellectual and spiritual development of humanity. It is truly said, that the pen is mightier than the sword. We have not valued, as highly as we should, our fine quality of inspirational literature placed in reach of Baptists.

The Bible, which is the choicest of literature, has done more to lift up our civilization and aid in man's redemption than any other agency. The printer's message has been a balm of gracious inspiration to many hungry minds.

An unwise choice is often made in the selection of reading matter. Books containing daring stories are often harmful and very poisonous to the mind. Magazines containing silly love stories are often purchased by our young people. A wise suggestion would be for parents to provide religious literature, of the best kind, for themselves and their children.

Our State denominational paper, the Biblical Recorder, constantly supplies us with information concerning our work in North Carolina, and much that is of vital interest to Baptists beyond our own state. Charity and Children is worthy of a place in every Baptist home in North Carolina. It informs us of the condition of our Orphanage. A flood of religious literature issues from the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville, Tenn. "Home and Foreign Fields," published monthly for one dollar a year, is a most valuable source of Missionary information. "World Comrades", published monthly at one dollar per year, by the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, Birmingham, Ala., is most helpful for our young Baptists. "Royal Service," the B. Y. P. U. Magazine and the Sunday School Builder, are all valuable publications.

The Bible is far superior to all other reading matter, but the Bible alone is not sufficient. There should be in every home, books of Bible study, biographies of great religious leaders, and Bible stories for children. Many times a single volume changes the entire future of an individual for good.

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. STROUPE

49. The following visitors were recognized: Clyde Yates, Statesville, N. C.; Pink Leatherman and G. S. Caldwell of the South Fork Association.

50. M. L. Barnes read the report on Stewardship. Motion to adopt by T. L. Cashwell and second by E. V. Hudson. The report was ably discussed by M. L. Barnes and was adopted.

STEWARDSHIP

The church must deal with money matters. It should employ the best methods possible. If a church is run in an unbusiness like way,

if its finances are inadequate, if its accounting system is poor, then the usefulness of the church is impaired.

The purpose of the Promotion Committee is to get each church to work out a budget to cover all the needs of the church. The budget should be explained to church fully. The canvass should be made to meet the proposed budget. Let the members know as fully as possible all that pertains to the finances. The membership should have a voice in determining the financial policies.

The greatest need now is to establish confidence among the members and secure the cooperation as far as it is possible of every member, and in this way the church can secure the confidence of the public.

The committee recommends a new book, "Baptists At Work" for use in preparing and putting on the every member canvass.

Your committee has endeavored to do three things the past year: 1. Educate the members in the principles of stewardship, so as to secure greater unity in method and a worthy systematic giving. 2. Increase the gifts and, 3rd, Enlist every church in making gifts to both orphanage and cooperative program.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. BARNES

51. The report on the School of Missions was read by J. A. Hudson and after motion to adopt was discussed by the following: J. A. Hudson, Dr. B. A. Bowers, T. L. Cashwell, Dr. J. W. Whitley, Geo. W. Davis and Mrs. E. V. Hudson. The vote to adopt was unanimous.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

The Church School of Missions is a result of a movement among our more zealous missionary advocates to train and enlist the whole church in our mission endeavors. The school is graded in the same manner as a properly graded Sunday School, and suitable books and teachers are provided for each class and grade. Already our mission boards have provided an excellent list from which to select books for these different classes.

The aim and purpose of the school is to inform our people as to the great need among the nations of missionary work; and then to inspire them in meeting this need. A further aim is to impress

upon each member our duty to promote the missionary cause, and challenge every one to be faithful in discharging same.

Our churches have sadly neglected our Lord's command in the Great Commission, and we are greatly suffering because we have done so. The whole church needs to be informed, inspired, and empowered to carry out the command of our Lord and Master.

Such schools have been conducted by several churches in our association, and in each case very successful. And wherever they have been tried, there have been reports of revived missionary interest and activity. And every church should as soon as possible, plan for a church school of missions. Further information can be obtained from any of our mission boards or from W. M. U. headquarters.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. HUDSON

52. Dr. B. A. Bowers moves that a committee be appointed by the Moderator to arrange for a School of Missions in the Gaston County Baptist Association. The motion was seconded by F. M. Huggins and was carried.

53. The report on Obituaries was read by W. G. Camp and on motion of T. L. Cashwell, second by J. A. Hudson, same was adopted. Names of deceased will be found on pages 32 and 33.

54. W. L. Walters read the report of the Treasurer for the year 1933-34 and on motion of Dr. E. V. Hudson, second by M. L. Barnes. It was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS:	
Balance on hand September 1, 1933	$ 4.91
Received from Churches	146.60
Received from W. M. U.	14.40
Total Receipts	$165.91
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Clerk's Salary	25.00
Expenses (Postage, Stationery, etc.)	5.48

Economy Printing Company, Printing	$118.80
Total Disbursements	$149.28
Balance on hand September 1, 1934	$ 16.63

JOHN A. WILKINS, Treasurer

55. The report of the committee on Nomination of officers of the Association for the ensuing year was read by J. A. Hudson and on motion of Dr. E. V. Hudson, second by D. C. Wesson, it was adopted and the officers named in the report declared elected.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Moderator, R. G. Mace; Vice Moderator, Dr. J. W. Whitley; Clerk and Treasurer, W. L. Walters; B. T. U. Director, Clyde B. Moody; Orphanage Representative, W. J. Francis; Hospital Representative, Dr. R. B. Groves; Sunday School Director, Bryan Hurd; Stewardship Committee, M. L. Barnes; Director of Woman's Work, Mrs. C. P. Nanny; Evangelism, T. L. Cashwell.

Executive Committee: R. G. Mace, Mrs. C. P. Nanny, Dr. R. B. Groves, W. J. Francis, Bryan Hurd, Clyde B. Moody, M. L. Barnes, Dr. B. A. Bowers, Dr. J. W. Whitley, T. L. Cashwell.

56. The report on Order of Business for the next session of the Association was read by D. C. Wesson and on motion of J. A. Hudson, second by T. L. Cashwell, same was adopted with instructions to the committee preparing the same that the Mission Objects be transferred to the first day of the next annual meeting and that other objects be given their place on the report as read for second day.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Wednesday Morning

9:30—Worship: W. G. Camp.
9:45—Enrollment.
10:00—Missions: State—David P. Pellinger; Home—J. A. Hudson; Foreign—W. T. Baucom.
11:00—Announcements.
Sermon—P. A. Hicks.
12:00—Dinner.

Wednesday Afternoon

1:15—Worship: George W. Davis.
1:30—Evangelism: T. L. Cashwell.
2:00—Our Schools: 30 Minutes, Dr. B. A. Bowers.
2:30—Woman's Work: Mrs. C. P. Nanny.
3:00—Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

Wednesday Evening

7:30—Church Music: B. H. Moss.
8:00—Training Activities: Sunday School—Bryan Hurd; B. T. U. —Clyde Moody.

Thursday Morning

9:30—Worship: T. H. Roach.
9:45—Ministerial Relief: E. V. Hudson.
10:00—Hospitals: 20 Minutes, Dr. R. B. Groves.
10:20—Orphanage: 20 Minutes, L. P. Barnett.
10:40—Religious Literature: R. A. Kelley.
11:00—Announcements.
Doctrinal Sermon—Dr. J. W. Whitley.
12:00—Dinner.

Thursday Afternoon

1:15—Worship: B. F. Austin.
1:30—Stewardship: M. L. Barnes.
2:00—School of Missions: Mrs. E. V. Hudson.
2:15—Obituary: M. P. Rhyne.
2:30—Temperance: F. M. Huggins.
2:45—Treasurer's Report.
2:50—Report of Executive Committee.
3:00—Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

D. C. WESSON,
MAUDE LEE REEP,
W. A. HOFFMAN

57. Dr. E. V. Hudson offers the following resolution and moves its adoption. The resolution was adopted by unanimous standing vote.

RESOLUTION

We, the messengers and visitors of the Gaston County Baptist

Association, express our thanks and appreciation to this church and community for the very gracious manner in which they have entertained us during this session.

58. Dr. J. W. Whitley makes motion that a Historical Committee be appointed by the Moderator with instructions that a history of our Baptist work in this Association be prepared to be printed in the minutes of the 1935 session, the committee to have full authority in its methods of obtaining information from individuals and churches and in securing the funds to defray the necessary extra costs of printing. The motion was seconded by T. L. Cashwell and adopted.

59. The Moderator appoints the following Historical Committee:

Gastonia District, J. W. Whitley, Chairman; Bessemer City-Cherryville District, D. E. Bobbitt; Belmont-Mount Holly District, F. M. Huggins; Dallas District, W. T. Baucom.

60. The Committee on the School of Missions was appointed as follows: Dr. E. V. Hudson, F. M. Huggins, David E. Bobbitt.

61. At 2:45 P. M. the Association adjourns with prayer by J. A. Hudson.

R. G. MACE, Moderator

W. L. WALTERS, Clerk

IN MEMORIAM

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; Yea saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." Rev. 14:13.

ALEXIS:
Mr. Roscoe Bradshaw

BELMONT, EAST:
Mr. D. A. Chapman

BELMONT, FIRST:
Mr. W. O. Glover
Mrs. Sue Underwood
Mr. B. T. Hartgrove
(Deacon)
Mr. J. F. Smith
Mr. C. E. Bradley
Mrs. N. G. Todd
Mrs. Rosa Goddard
Mr. Hilliard Corn

BESSEMER CITY:
Mrs. M. A. Rudisill
Mrs. Florence Wesson

BETHEL:
Mrs. H. W. Baucom
(Wife of Pastor)

BRUINGTON:
Mr. S. A. Stroupe
Mr. A. W. Robinson

CENTER VIEW:
Mr. J. W. McAlpine
Mr. B. J. Medlin
Mrs. A. H. Thomas
Mrs. Alice Heffner

CHERRYVILLE:
Mr. Ed. C. Stroupe
Mr. E. D. Sellers
Mrs. Dan Black
Mrs. Amby Hanes

CRAMERTON:
Mrs. Wilma Huss Price
Mrs. Brady L. Hendricks

DALLAS:
Mr. W. H. Gragg

GASTONIA, CALVARY:
Mrs. B. L. England
Mrs. B. M. Bentley
Mr. J. B. Ham
Mr. Oscar Lane

GASTONIA, EAST:
Mrs. J. E. Gladden
Mr. William Fisher
Mrs. Ruby Miller
Mr. J. C. White
Mrs. S. E. Carothers

GASTONIA, FIRST:
Mrs. R. L. Garrison
Mr. I. N. Tolbert
Miss Ella Mae Clemmer
Mr. W. H. Poole
Mrs. Maude Beaty
Mrs. J. S. Hood
Mr. J. M. Tugman

IN MEMORIAM

GASTONIA, FLINT-GROVES:
Mr. Charlie Haas
Mrs. R. A. McCall
Miss Nancy Clemmer

GASTONIA, LORAY:
Mrs. C. A. Blanton
Miss Julia Taylor
Mr. Miles Price
Mr. W. L. Harvell
Mr. Robert Jenkins
Mr. L. A. Reynolds
Mr. Carl Robinson

GASTONIA, MARIETTA STREET:
Mrs. Floy Sisk
Mr. J. M. Elmore
Mr. John Hawkins, Jr.

GASTONIA, TEMPLE:
Mrs. Mary Sturgis
Mrs. E. N. Poteat
Mr. W. L. Parrish
Mrs. Mabel Booth

HULL'S GROVE:
Mr. David Hull
Mrs. David Hull

HICKORY GROVE:
Mr. W. A. Rankin
Mrs. Maria Cox
Mrs. Georgia Willard

LOWELL:
Mr. Zeb Usery

McADENVILLE:
Mrs. Ellen Payne
Mrs. N. M. Brittain

MOUNT BEULAH:
Mr. Evan Beam
Mr. Jno. H. Kinley

MOUNT ZION:
Mr. Joseph Dellinger

RANLO:
Mrs. G. W. Erwin
Mr. R. L. Underwood

TUCKASEEGE:
Mrs. Lester Harwell
Mrs. James McAlister

WEBB'S CHAPEL:
Mrs. C. D. Weaver

Constitution

Name

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Gaston County Baptist Association."

Object

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel (as we hold it) to the people within the bounds of the Association, and so co-operate with the Baptist State Convention.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall consist of the officers of the Association, pastors of the churches in the Association, and Messengers from the churches. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers and one additional messenger for every 100 members or fraction thereof over and above 200 members and also one additional messenger for every five thousand dollars or fraction thereof, contributed to the cause of the two conventions.

Officers

Article 4. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, a Treasurer and a Clerk, all of whom shall be elected each year by the Association at its Annual Meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The duties of the officers shall correspond to the duties of the same officers in like organizations, or as defined by the Association from time to time.

Boards and Committees

Article 5. The Association shall elect an Executive Committee each year whose duties shall be to look after having the Gospel preached in all parts of the Association, and to attend to all business of the Association between the sessions and to make such reports as they deem advisable at the Annual Meeting of the Association. The Association may appoint or elect such other Boards or Committees from time to time as circumstances may require.

Time Of Meeting

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually, on Wednesday

after the Third Sunday in October. The Moderator may at the request of the Executive Committee change the time or the place of meeting of this Association when it may be deemed by him not expedient to meet at the time or place appointed.

Vacancies

Article 7. The Moderator in concurrence with the Executive Committee may fill any vacancy occurring between meetings of the Association.

Amendments

Article 8. This Constitution may be amended at any regular session of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the number enrolled on the first day of the Association.

By-Laws

No By-Laws Adopted: The Association follows Kerfoot's Rules of order for Parliamentary authority.

Proceedings

OF THE

Baptist Young People's Unions

OF THE

Gaston County Baptist Association

Clyde B. Moody, Director; George Stroupe President; Miss Myrtle Abernethy, Secretary; Mrs. F. A. Young, Junior-Intermediate Leader

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The annual B. Y. P. U. Convention of the Gaston County Baptist Association was held with the First Baptist Church, Gastonia, on Sunday afternoon, and Monday, June 3rd and 4th. There were 24 churches represented, with large delegations from each church.

Our General Secretary, Mr. M. A. Huggins, of Raleigh, delivered the keynote address on Sunday afternoon. Rev. M. L. Barnes was the speaker Monday morning, while Miss Winnie Rickett, our State B. Y. P. U. Secretary, delivered an inspiring call to service at the afternoon session. The convention came to a close with the annual sermon by Dr. Luther Little, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Charlotte, on Monday evening.

"Christ Our Authority" was the convention theme, and the scripture was 1 Cor. 15:25—"He Must Reign." The entire program was built around this theme. All phases of the work were presented, and many of our local young people took part on the program.

Interesting features of this convention were an associational sword drill for Juniors and Intermediates, and a banquet at the Armington Hotel prior to the Monday evening session.

The following officers were elected:

President, George Stroupe, Alexis.

Vice-President, Leonard Lay, Belmont.

Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Myrtle Abernethy, Gastonia, Route 2.

Junior-Intermediate Leader, Mrs. F. A. Young, Gastonia.

Chorister, Julian Hall, Mount Holly.

Pianist, Miss Mittie Canipe, Cherryville.

Vice-President, Cherryville-Bessemer City district, Miss Ava Stroupe, Cherryville.

Vice-President Gastonia district, Doyt Hoffman, Gastonia.

Vice-President Dallas district, D. L. Friday, Dallas.

Vice-President Belmont-Mount Holly district, Miss Rosa Mae King, North Belmont.

The convention will meet next June with the Long Creek Memorial Baptist Church.

A large number of our young people attended the Regional Convention at Statesville and the State Convention-Assembly at Ridgecrest. Some of them appeared on the program at these meetings.

At the Ridgecrest Convention the associational Efficiency Banner was awarded to the Gaston County B. Y. P. U.'s.

While the training program has suffered in a few of our churches, it has experienced commendable improvement in others. So far as we have been able to learn there are five churches at present without organized young people's work, and efforts are being made to reorganize the work in these churches upon a firm foundation. On the other hand, many of our churches have found it necessary to form new unions to take care of the increased attendance.

Realizing that much emphasis has been placed upon the Standard of Excellence, and perhaps not enough attention given spiritual values, we are this year stressing the need for greater spirituality in forwarding Christ's Kingdom through the training program in our association.

Our president, George Stroupe, and the officers of the B. Y. P. U. have cooperated with the director in a great

way, being willing and anxious at all times to aid in every way possible. District meetings have been held regularly in each district, with good attendance and much interest manifested.

We feel that there is real cause for thanksgiving for the fine work our young people are doing, and under the Master's guidance the activities of this training organization will continue to reap bountiful results in preparing young Christians to take their places in the churches of the association.

Since the General B. Y. P. U. organization has broadened its scope to include the Baptist Adult Unions, it was felt over the South that some other name would be more appropriate. The Sunday School Board at its annual session on June 6th, recommended changing the name of the "General B. Y. P. U. Organization" to the "Baptist Traiing Union."

We, therefore, recommend that in the future our associational training agency shall be known as "The Associational Baptist Training Union" instead of "The Associational B. Y. P. U."

Respectfully submitted,

CLYDE B. MOODY

Proceedings

OF THE

Woman's Missionary Union

OF THE

Gaston County Baptist Association

The Fifteenth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Gaston County Baptist Association met with the Center View Church, Belmont, N. C., on Friday, October 12, 1934, with Mrs. M. L. Barnes presiding. The meeting opened at 10 o'clock with the singing of the hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name", followed by a prayer led by Mrs. Barnes. The devotional was conducted by Mrs. W. C. Barrett, using the 15th chapter of John and as her subject "Recapturing the Rapture of Prayer," and was closed with a solo by Miss Naomi Braswell of Gastonia.

The address of welcome was made by Mrs. F. M. Huggins, of Center View, and the response was given by Mrs. R. L. Featherstone of Lowell.

There was a motion that the Order of Business be adopted.

After the Roll Call of the Churches by the Secretary, Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus, the missionary to the Jews, made a most interesting and instructive address on "The Jew". A period for questions concerning his work was given at the close of this address. Upon motion by Mrs. Bowers, which was unanimously carried, an offering for his work was taken.

The hymn "Footprints of Jesus" was then sung, and because of shortage of time, the Conference Period and Reports were combined. Those taking part in this part of the program, with their subjects, were as follows: W. M. U. Methods and Circle Plan, Mrs. R. M. Stroupe; Christmas Offering, Mrs. Ben Guion; Mission Study, Mrs. B. A. Bowers; Standard of Excellence, Mrs. N. E. Batchelor; Business Woman's Circle, Miss Birdie Haigwood.

The report of the District Secretaries was given as follows: Cherryville-Bessemer City District—Meetings held, 1; miles traveled, 90; cards written, 10; letters written, 2; visits made, 8. Respectfully submitted, Mrs. B. H. Carpenter.

The Treasurer made the following report at this time:

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS:

January 19, Balance in Treasury	$14.68
January 20, Deposit (Gastonia First Church)	12.50
March 2, Deposit (Mount Holly W. M. U.)	2.65
March 9, Deposit (Mount Beulah)	1.40
March 10, Deposit (Gastonia First Church	2.50
September 15, Deposit (Mrs. J. H. Bradley, Gastonia)	1.00
Total Receipts	$34.73

DISBURSEMENTS:

February 2, J. A. Wilkins (Minutes)	$14.40
February 2, Mrs. P. S. Vann (Divisional Expense)	5.00
March 30, Miss Earl Hester (Salary)	5.00
March 30, Mrs. M. L. Barnes (Printing)	2.00
September 17, Mrs. M. L. Barnes (Postage)	2.50
October 1, Tax on Checks (5 @ 2c)	.10
Total Disbursements	$29.00
Cash on Hand	5.73
Total	$34.73

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. L. C. McDOWELL, Treasurer

PERSONAL SERVICE REPORT

Perhaps the most vital and far-reaching part of our work is that of personal work. This was Jesus' preeminent method. On the highway as he touched the lives of the passers-by, in the marts of trade as he made contact with the traders, on the hillsides among the shepherds or among the farmers as they sowed and reaped, He was ever conscious of His opportunity in the personal touch. Every need of the individual apealed to Him strongly. To supply the needs of the individual was His highest ambition. There is no greater opportunity to the women of our southland than to search out and supply the peculiar needs of individuals. Thus we impress the

world, not only with our sincerity, but with our worthwhileness. No finer word was ever spoken than the following with reference to Jesus: "He went about doing good." How splendid it would be if those words could be truly spoken of Southern Baptist women. Doing good is the aim of personal service. In every community are peculiar personal needs that may be supplied through our personal service work. The writer cannot too strongly urge our people to give increasing effort to this phase of our work.

It is again necessary to call attention to the need of regular reports from every society. During the past year only eight societies have reported for four quarters; four have reported for three quarters; nine for two quarters and fourteen have reported for one quarter. It is seen, therefore, that quite a number have failed to make any reports whatever. Report blanks have been mailed to every society each quarter, but I learn that in some instances these blanks failed to reach their destination. For this the postal system, and not the chairman, is responsible.

The following are entitled to position on the honor roll for having made reports every quarter: Mrs. D. A. Grigg, Loray; Mrs. H. L. Bryson, Sandy Plains; Mrs. E. B. Denny, Gastonia First; Mrs. Geo. W. Belk, Gastonia First; Mrs. W. E. Blanton, Cramerton; Mrs. Lloyd Beaty, Cramerton; Miss Tinna Fisher, Cramerton; Miss Lizzie Well Stone, Cramerton.

These people have reported every quarter for their respective societies and are to be commended for their faithfulness in the performance of duty.

Honorable mention is due the following for having reported for three quarters: Mrs. Selma Calloway, Center View; Mrs. R. A. Kelly, Belmont, First; Mrs. E. H. Biggerstaff, Mt. Beulah; Miss Hazel Hudspeth, Cramerton.

Twenty societies did not report at all. It is hoped that during the coming year every society will report every quarter.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. W. NICHOLS, Chairman

MISSION STUDY REPORT

ALEXIS—1 study class.
DALLAS—2 study classes. Seals 2.
BESSEMER CITY—2 study classes. 4 certificates. 13 seals.
MT. BEULAH—1 study class. seals 9. Record cards 7.
CHERRYVILLE—1 study class. Seals 7.

McADENVILLE—1 W. M. S. study class. 18 seals. 1 Y. W. A. study class.

GASTONIA, FIRST—2 study classes, W. M. S. Seals 54. 1 Sunbeam class, 23 attending.

MOUNT HOLLY—3 study classes. Seals 51. Record cards 51. Reading cards 10.

CRAMERTON—1 study class. Seals 15.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. B. A. Bowers, Chairman

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

In behalf of the women of the Gaston County W. M. U., I bring the following report:

Every year we go over the same things and yet as each year is new so is there joy in stressing the things for which we stand, Prayer, Bible Study, Mission Study, Personal Service, Stewardship and Soul Winning. Although these things sound inspirational, there is a very practical side to our work.

Since we go by the calendar year in our work and records, I shall give you our gifts for the year 1933: W. M. S., $4,775.21; Y. W. A., $674.81; G. A., $244.77; R. A. $60.01; Sunbeams, $96.87; and because you count from one October until the next October, I shall give you the total amount of our gifts for this period: $5,980.57. The March Home Mission Offering was $243.39 given by 25 organizations; Heck Memorial, $71.63 by nineteen organizations; Training School, $31.20 by ten organizations; Margaret Fund, $20.30 by eleven organizations; State Missions, $113.04 by twenty-seven organizations. For Miss Earl Hester's salary, $56.60 by eight societies.

The superintendent has traveled 876 miles, held five meetings, visited one society and sent out 343 letters and postals. Four new organizations have been reported for this year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. M. L. BARNES

After the adoption of all the reports, the Time and Place Committee was named as follows: Mrs. S. A. Stroupe, Miss Ruth Gaffney, Mrs. J. J. Beach.

Mrs. Edens of Gastonia sang "Beautiful Japan," after which the closing prayer was offered by Rev. R. G. Mace. The meeting adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened with the singing of the hymn, "Draw Me Nearer," and with the repeating in unison the watchword, "Laborers Together With God." Mrs. W. J. Francis conducted the devotional using Malachi 3rd Chapter, her topic being "Prayer and Tithing." Miss Naomi Braswell sang a solo at the closing of the devotional.

Mrs. W. L. Hatcher of Charlotte, a returned missionary, gave a most interesting address on Brazilian and Portugese Mission work. This was followed by a solo by Miss Ruth Gaffney, "I Am Satisfied With Jesus."

All the visitors were recognized at this time.

"Perfumes" was the subject of a most inspiring address by Mrs. W. C. Barrett, using as her reference, 2nd Cor. 2:14, Rev. 5:8 and Rev. 8:24.

After singing "Work for the Night is Coming," the report of Young Peoples work was given as follows:

YOUNG PEOPLES WORK

During the past year 5 new young peoples societies have been organized. About 60 letters and cards relating to the work have been written. There were three outstanding events in our associational young people's work: the Annual Y. W. A. Banquet in January which was attended by 150 young women, the Junior Rally in June for G. A.'s, R. A.'s and Sunbeams, and the Y. W. A. Camp at Ridgecrest.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. V. HUDSON, Young People's Leader
MRS. J. R. WRIGHT, Y. W. A. Leader

In addition to making the above report, Mrs. Hudson was assisted in presenting the Young People's work by Miss Naomi Griffin, who spoke on the Y. W. A. Camp. Miss Mary Cain told of the Y. W. A. Banquet. Breta Barnes spoke of the Junior Rally, and a song was given by the Sunbeams of Center View Church. The Associational Young People's Leaders were recognized by Mrs. Hudson, after which Miss Aggie Ashe spoke on R. A. work. A Youth Movement for Gaston County was discussed and urged by Mrs. Hudson.

The Obituary Committee reported as follows:

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES

We deeply regret to report the following deaths of women in our W. M. S. during the past year: Belmont, First, Mrs. N. G. Todd, Mrs. Rosa Goddard, Mrs. C. L. Bumgardner; Center View, Mrs. Jennie Thomas, Mrs. Alice Heffner; Gastonia, First, Mrs. Maude Beatty, Mrs. R. L. Garrison, Mrs. J. S. Hand. We feel that through the death of these women that our W. M. S. and churches have suffered a great loss. Yet we know that our loss is Heaven's gain, and we bow in humble submission to God's will who doeth all things well.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HENRY HOLDEN, Chairman

The Resolutions Committee submitted the following report:

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The Woman's Missionary Union of Gaston County met in the 15th annual session with Center View Baptist Church on October 12th, 1934. It is with grateful hearts that we try to express our appreciation of the hospitality extended us by the pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. F. M. Huggins, and the members of this church.

We thank our Superintendent, Mrs. Barnes, for her wise planning and careful consideration in bringing this splendid program.

We are thankful that it was possible for Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus to be with us and bring the encouraging report of the wonderful work he is doing with the Jews.

To our beloved, Mrs. W. C. Barrett of Laurinburg, we were delighted to have her bring the morning devotional and her timely closing address.

We appreciate the great message brought us by Mrs. W. L. Hatcher.

We thank everyone who had a part in the program, and we appreciate every officer who has served us so splendidly during the past year.

Finally we rejoice that we can be "Laborers Together With God."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. J. FRANCIS, Chairman

After the adoption of this report, the report of the Time and Place Committee was heard.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE

We, the Time and Place Committee, recommend that the Gaston County W. M. U. accept the invitation of the East Gastonia Church, and that the time of meeting be determined by the vote of this body.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. S. A. STROUPE
MISS RUTH GAFFNEY
MRS. J. J. BEACH

This report was adopted and a motion was made and carried that the meeting be held in March after the State Meeting.

At this time the report of the Nominating Committee was called for.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Superintendent—Mrs. C. P. Nanny, Gastonia.
Assistant Superintendent—Mrs. Ben Guion, Gastonia.
Secretary—Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mount Holly.
Treasurer—Mrs. A. F. Weir, East Gastonia.
Personal Service—Mrs. H. M. Craig, Stanley.
Young People's Leader—Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton.
Mission Study—Mrs. B. A. Bowers, Gastonia.

The Executive Board to be composed of the following: Mrs. C. P. Nanny, Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mrs. Ben Guion, Mrs. David E. Bobbitt, Mrs. A. F. Weir, Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Mrs. H. M. Craig, Mrs. B. A. Bowers.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. T. BAUCOM, Chairman

This report was adopted.

The following report of the Plan of Work Committee was given:

REPORT ON PLAN OF WORK

The Committee on Plan of Work, recommends for adoption: 1. The Plan of work as laid down in the Year Book. 2. The recom-

mendations of the Executive Committee of the State W. M. U. 3. The Plan of work adopted by the Charlotte Division in session at Wingate in June. 4. And any plans recommended by our new Superintendent and her committee.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS NAOMI BRASWELL
MRS. BEN GUION
MRS. H. B. MOORE

The Report was adopted.

The new officers were recognized, and after prayer by Rev. Mr. Hicks of Belmont, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. M. L. BARNES, Asso. Supt.
MRS. DAVID E. BOBBITT, Sec.

DELEGATES

GASTONIA, FIRST—Mrs. E. G. Burruss, Mrs. W. B. Hair, Miss Lucile Thomas, Mrs. C. A. Eden, Mrs. A. G. Wallis, Mrs. A. Froneberger, Mrs. V. A. Covington, Mrs. C. P. Nanny, Mrs. J. D. Moore, Mrs. B. Capps, Mrs. V. Covington, Mrs. Ben Guion, Miss Naomi Braswell, Mrs. B. A. Bowers.

SANDY PLAINS—Mrs. J. C. Millen, Mrs. J. L. Featherstone, Mrs. T. J. Beatty, Mrs. J. L. Lewis, Mrs. E. H. Moton, Mrs. W. E. Barnes.

McADENVILLE—Miss Emma Kerley, Mrs. D. C. Wesson, Mrs. J. H. Bentley, Mrs. J. F. Rankin, Miss Jessie Rankin, Miss Dessie Jenkins, Mrs. Bessie Rumfelt.

MOUNT HOLLY—Breta Barnes, Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mrs. J. D. Hobbs, Miss Maude Sinclair, Miss Ruth Gaffney, Mrs. N. E. Batchelor, Mrs. T. L. Ware, Mrs. C. A. Hobbs, Miss Osie Skidmore, Mrs. E. B. Arndt, Mrs. C. C. Carpenter, Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mrs. John Sadler, Mrs. W. T. McCullough, Mrs. H. D. Gibson, Mrs. J. L. Cauble, Mrs. B. R. Logan, Mrs. R. B. Watkins, Mrs. W. G. Holobaugh, Mrs. J. E. Lineberger, Mrs. F. H. Abernethy, Miss Birdie Haigwood, Miss Hildegarde Barnes.

EAST BELMONT—Mrs. W. D. Nichols, Mrs. P. A. Hicks, Rev. P. A. Hicks, Mrs. T. C. Lanier.

ALEXIS—Mrs. E. C. Rhyne, Mrs. G. A. Rhyne, Miss Beulah Morris.

CRAMERTON—Miss Mary Cain, Miss Georgie Meacham, Mrs. Wells Stone, Miss Blanche Vanpelt, Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Mrs W. F. Stegall, Mrs. W. E. Blanton, Mrs. N. C. Martin, Mrs. J. H. Ensley, Mrs. T. L. Hand.

CENTER VIEW—Mrs. Sallie Roper, Mrs. Mark Skidmore, Mrs. Floyd Skidmore, Mrs. L. W. O'Daniel, Mrs. Paul Lowe, Mrs. Ada Setzer, Mrs. F. M. Huggins, Mrs. Daisy Cook, Mrs. J. C. White, Mrs. O. C. Perkins, Mrs. T. F. Setzer, F. M. Huggins.

BELMONT, FIRST—Mrs. R. G. Mace, Miss Pearl Abernethy, Mrs. R. B. McClain, Mrs. A. J. Jenkins, Mrs. W. J. Francis, Mrs. J. P. Stowe, Mrs. R. B. Suggs, Mrs. J. P. Darby, Mrs. C. S. McLaughlin.

LOWELL—Mrs. W. P. Gilliam, Mrs. L. P. Barnette, Mrs. A. E. Teague, Mrs. L. P. Buckhan, Mrs. R. L. Reid, Mrs. R. L. Featherstone, Mrs. R. L. Helderman.

STANLEY—Miss Ruby Morris, Mrs. V. P. Morris, Mrs. R. F. Craig, Mrs. F. G. Lowe, Mrs. J. O. Smith, Mrs. D. P. Morris, Mrs. B. G. Weathers, Mrs. Herman Lineberger, Mrs. H. M. Craig, Mrs. Rube Morris, Mrs. R. E. McKelvey, Mrs. S. A. Stroupe.

EAST GASTONIA—Mrs. T. L. Cashwell, Mrs. A. F. Weir, Mrs. Ernest Rankin, Mrs. G. C. Moss.

CHERRYVILLE—Mrs. L. C. McDowell, Mrs. David E. Bobbitt, Mrs. S. Mauney, Mrs. D. P. Upton, Mrs. N. L. Mauney, Miss Lona Mauney, Mrs. L. L. Self, Mrs. S. M. Butler, Miss Fay Stroupe.

DALLAS—Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Mrs. A. B. Leeper, Mrs. Rush Dixon, Mrs. J. W. Summey, Mrs. Helen Durham.

BESSEMER CITY—Ollie Sue Wright, Evelyn Neal, Pearl Carson, Grace Rogers, Mrs. B. H. Payne, Mrs. L. E. Pressley, Mrs. T. E. Jackson, Mrs. Frank Sisk, Mrs. Arnold Kincaid, Mrs. Henry Holden, Miss Lucy Williams, Miss Clara Belle Hagar, Miss Gaynelle Carter, Mrs. Hunter Payne, Mrs. Henderson Garvis.

VISITORS—Mrs. George Grice, Mrs. W. G. Bandy, Lincolnton, N. C.; Mrs. W. C. Barrett, Laurinburg, N. C.; Mrs. R. L. Rhodes, Hendersonville, N. C.; Mrs. L. G. Eden, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Mrs. W. L. Hatcher, Charlotte, N. C.; Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus, Atlanta, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mallard, Charlotte, N. C.; Rev. M. L. Barnes, Mount Holly, N. C.; Rev. R. G. Mace, Belmont, N. C.; Rev. D. E. Bobbitt, Cherryville, N. C.; Rev. D. C. Wesson, McAdenville, N. C.

Church Directory

ORDAINED MINISTERS IN THIS ASSOCIATION

Names and Addresses	Church of Which A Member	Ministerial Work
B. F. Austin, East Gastonia, N. C.	Flint-Groves	Pastor
P. S. Barber, Gastonia, N. C.	Temple	Member
M. L. Barnes, Mount Holly, N. C.	Mount Holly, First	Pastor
Lowell P. Barnett, Lowell, N. C.	Lowell, First	Pastor
H. W. Baucom, Gastonia, N. C.	Hardin	Pastor
W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.	Dallas	Pastor
C. J. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.	Bessemer City	Pastor
David E. Bobbitt, Cherryville, N. C.	Cherryville	Pastor
G. G. Bowen, Cramerton, N. C.	Woodlawn	Pastor
B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia, First	Pastor
A. P. Bumgardner, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia, Loray	Member
D. F. Burchfield, S. Gastonia, N. C.	Calvary	Member
W. G. Camp, Cherryville, N. C.	Shady Grove	Pastor
T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia, N C.	East Gastonia	Pastor
Geo. W. Davis, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia, Marietta St.	Pastor
H. S. Fox, Bessemer City, N. C.	Bessemer City	Member
J. V. Frederick, Gastonia, N. C.	Flint-Groves	Member
E. S. Grice, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	Ranlo	Member
R. F. Harrill, Gastonia, N. C.	Calvary	Member
P. A. Hicks, Belmont, N. C.	East Belmont	Pastor
W. Arthur Hoffman, W. Gastonia, N. C.	Temple	Pastor
Blanchard Horn, Kings Mtn., N. C.	Bethel	Pastor
E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.	Cramerton	Pastor
J. A. Hudson, Gastonia, N. C.	Calvary	Pastor
F. M. Huggins, Belmont, N. C.	Centerview	Pastor
W. F. Huggins, Alexis, N. C.	Alexis	Member
R. A. Kelly, Belmont, N. C.	Belmont, First	Pastor
N. L. Lancaster, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia, First	Member
R. G. Mace, Belmont, N. C.	Belmont, First	Member
C. E. Phillips, Dallas, N. C.	Long Creek Memorial	Pastor
D. F. Putnam, Shelby, N. C.	Mount Zion	Pastor
Ralph Rhyne, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia, First	Member
M. P. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C.	Sandy Plains	Pastor
W. O. Rivenbark, W. Gastonia, N. C.	Loray	Member
T. H. Roach, Lincolnton, N. C,, Rt. 5	Webb's Chapel	Pastor

S. M. Stroupe, Alexis, N. C.	Alexis	Pastor
A. E. Teague, Lowell, N. C.	Lowell, First	Member
Lee Wacaster, Cherryville, N. C.	Mount Zion	Member
W. L. Walters, Gastonia, N. C.	Ranlo	Pastor
D. C. Wesson, McAdenville, N. C.	McAdenville	Pastor
W. A. Weston, Louisville, Ky.	Bessemer City	Member
J. W. Whitley, Gastonia, N. C.	Loray	Pastor
R. W. Williams, Ranlo Sta. Gastonia, N.C.	Ranlo	Member

Auxiliary Leaders

B. Y. P. U. DIRECTORS AND LEADERS

ALEXIS—Ralph Cannon, Director, Stanley, N. C.; Helen Abernethy, Alexis, N. C. (S); Mrs. S. M. Stroupe, Alexis, N. C. (I); Annie Bradshaw, Alexis, N. C. (J).

BELMONT, EAST—L. H. Warren, Director, Belmont, N. C.; James Helton, Belmont, N. C. (A); Ethel Chapman, Belmont, N. C. (S); Alma Bumgardner, Belmont, N. C. (I); Eva Benfield, Belmont, N. C. (J).

BELMONT, FIRST—Leonard Lay, Director, Belmont, N. C.; Roberta Featherstone, Belmont, N. C. (S); Clyde Clark, Belmont, N. C. (I); John Fite, Belmont, N. C. (I); Mrs. Knox Wilson, Belmont, N. C. (J).

BESSEMER CITY—Kathleen Dobbins, Director, Bessemer City, N. C.; Mrs. Henderson Fox, Bessemer City, N. C. (S); Mrs. Cola Ramsey, Bessemer City, N. C. (J).

BETHEL—M. L. Capps, Director, Gastonia, N. C., Route 1; Pauline Black, Gastonia, N. C., Route 1, (A).

BRUINGTON—Miss Ruby Morris, Director, Stanley, N. C.; Mrs. Herman Lineberger, Stanley, N. C. (S); Virginia Hovis, Stanley, N. C. (I); Herman Lineberger, Stanley, N. C. (J).

CENTERVIEW—Donnie Rabb, Director, Belmont, N. C.; Pauline Eplee, Mount Holly, N. C., R. F. D. (S); Frank Auten, Acme Mill, Belmont, N. C. (I); Ruby King, Belmont, N. C. (J).

CHERRYVILLE—Ava Stroupe, Director, Cherryville, N. C.; Belle Stroupe, Cherryville, N. C. (S); Mrs. David E. Bobbitt, Cherryville, N. C. (I); Mrs. E. E. McDowell, Cherryville, N. C. (J).

CRAMERTON—Bryan Hurd, Director, Cramerton, N. C.; Mrs. F. A. Carter, Cramerton, N. C. (A); Mrs. C. O. Nixon, Cramerton, N. C. (S); Ruby Martin, Cramerton, N. C. (S); Y. E. Springfield, Cramerton, N. C. (I); Mary Cain, Cramerton, N.

C. (I); Irma Fisher, Cramerton, N. C. (J); Mrs. Georgia Meacham, Cramerton, N. C. (J).

DALLAS—D. L. Friday, Director, Dallas, N. C.; Mrs. D. L. Friday Dallas, N. C. (S); Mrs. Clyde Thornburg, Dallas, N. C. (I); D. L. Friday, Dallas, N. C. (J).

GASTONIA, CALVARY—Donald Stroup, Director, S. Gastonia, N. C.; Miss Weltha Battles, Pinkney Station, Gastonia, N. C. (S); Mary Davidson, Pinkney Station, Gastonia, N. C. (J).

GASTONIA, EAST—Azalee Smith, Director, Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs. T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia, N. C., Sponsor, (S); Doyt Ledford, Gastonia, N. C. (I); Mrs. Doyt Ledford, Gastonia, N. C. (I); Mrs. A. N. Simpson, Gastonia, N. C. (J).

GASTONIA, FIRST—F. A. Young, Director, Gastonia, N. C.; Lucy Alexander, Route 1, Gastonia, N. C. (S); Mrs. Gary Littlefield, Gastonia, N. C. (I); Mrs. F. A. Young, Gastonia, N. C. (I); Jennie Fite, Gastonia, N. C. (I); Mrs. J. W. Durst, Gastonia, N. C. (J); Pearl Short, Gastonia, N. C. (J); Mrs. S. L. Robinson, Gastonia, N. C. (J).

GASTONIA, FLINT-GROVES—Focian Clark, East Gastonia, N. C. (A).

GASTONIA, LORAY—Lula Blanton, Director, 1327 W. Second Street, Gastonia, N. C.; J. P. Thomas, Associate Director, Linwood road, Gastonia, N. C.; Elizabeth Robinson, General Secretary, 316 S. Linwood Street, Gastonia, N. C.; Kate Stroup, General Pianist, 501 S. Webb Street, Gastonia, N. C.; Clyde Moss, Director of Intermediate Department, Gastonia, N. C.; John P. Smith, Director of Junior Girls, Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs. B. P. Robinson, 316 S. Linwood Street, Gastonia, N. C. (A); Mrs. J. S. Baucom, 78 S. Webb Street, Gastonia, N. C. (A); Helen Styers, West Gastonia, N. C. (S); Pearl Gardner, 109 N. Trenton Street, Gastonia, N. C. (S); Miss Alberta Whitlow, 204 N. Ransom Street, Gastonia, N. C. (I); Pauline Settlemyer 309 N. Loray Street, Gastonia, N. C. (I); Clyde Moss, 107 S. Millen Street, Gastonia, N. C. (I); Charles McNabb, 309 S. Vance Street, Gastonia, N. C. (I); Mrs. John Smith, 517 S. Webb Street, Gastonia, N. C. (J); Viola Bolch, 113 S. Trenton Street, Gastonia, N. C. (J); Monnie Peeler, 612 W. Franklin Avenue, Gastonia, N. C. (J); H. C. Adams, 105 N. Trenton Street, Gastonia, N. C. (J); E. E. Bolick, 805 Railroad Street, Gastonia, N. C. (J).

GASTONIA, MARIETTA STREET—C. S. Withers, Director, Gastonia, N. C.; Mrs. J. H. Bradley, Gastonia, N. C. (A); Mrs. C. S. Withers, Gastonia, N. C. (S); E. W. Teague, Victory Sta-

tion, Gastonia, N. C. (I); Mrs. W. W. Freeze, Gastonia, N. C. (J).

GASTONIA, TEMPLE—Fred Crenshaw, Director, Gastonia, N. C., Route 4; Mrs. W. C. Lineberger, W. Gastonia, N. C. (A).

HARDIN—J. J. Friday, Director, Dallas, N. C., Route 1; Geraldine Lanier, R. F. D. Dallas, N. C. (S); E. W. Friday, Dallas, N. C. Route 1 (I).

HICKORY GROVE—

HIGH SHOALS—Ruth Yarbrough, High Shoals, N. C. (S); Mrs. L. W. Workman, High Shoals, N. C. (I).

HULL'S GROVE—

LONG CREEK MEMORIAL—Mrs. R. O. Lay, Director, Dallas, N. C.; Mrs. W. A. Jenkins, Dallas, N. C. (A); Addie Brewer, Dallas, N. C. (S); Annie Phillips, Dallas, N. C. (I); V. M. Sheppard, Dallas, N. C. (J).

LOWELL, FIRST—S. C. Smart, Director, Lowell, N. C.; M. H. Usery, Lowell, N. C. (A); Roy McDaniel, Lowell, N. C. (S); Homer Price, Lowell, N. C. (I); R. L. Reid, Lowell, N. C. (I); Mattie Bradford, Lowell, N. C. (J); Mrs. L. P. Barnett, Lowell, N. C. (J).

McADENVILLE—Charles Waters, Director, McAdenville, N. C.; Mrs. Rosie Rankin, McAdenville, N. C. (A); D. C. Wesson, McAdenville, N. C. (I); Lovenia Springs, McAdenville, N. C. (J).

MOUNTAIN SIDE—

MOUNTAIN VIEW—

MOUNT BEULAH—Fred Biggerstaff, Director, Bessemer City, N. C.; R. P. Land, Bessemer City, N. C. (A); Melvin Land, Bessemer City, N. C. (S); Mrs. Fred Biggerstaff, Bessemer City, N. C. (I); Mrs. Ben Barbee, Lincolnton, N. C., R. F. D., (I); Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dye, Bessemer City, N. C. (J).

MOUNT HOLLY—Clyde Moody, Director, Mount Holly, N. C.; P. H. Roberts, Associate Director, Mount Holly, N. C., R. M. Stroupe, General Secretary, Mount Holly, N. C.; Percy Roberts Mount Holly, N. C. (A); Mrs. Walter Hollobaugh, Mount Holly, N. C. (A); Julian Hall, Mount Holly, N. C. (S); Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mount Holly, N. C. (I); Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mount Holly, N. C. (I); Hildegarde Barnes, Mount Holly, N. C. (J); George Taylor, Mount Holly, N. C. (J); J. T. Stroupe, Mount Holly, N. C. (J); Mrs. Jaunita McKinney, Mount Holly, N. C. (Story Hour).

MOUNT ZION—

RANLO—Mrs. J. P. Rowland, Director, Smyre Station, Gastonia,

N. C.; Russel Bookout, Ranlo Station, Gastonia, N. C. (S); Mrs. Frank Welch, Ranlo Station, Gastonia, N. C. (I); Mrs. G. C. Jenkins, Smyre Station, Gastonia, N. C. (J); Iona Bookout, Ranlo Station, Gastonia, N. C. (J).

SANDY PLAINS—

SHADY GROVE—Floyd L. Mauney, Director, Cherryville, N. C., Route 2; Everett Foster, Cherryville, N. C., Route 2, (S); Lorene Stroupe, Bessemer City, N. C., Route 1, (J).

TUCKASEEGE—Fred Stafford, Director, Mount Holly, N. C., Route 1; J. M. Huffstetler, Mount Holly, N. C. (A); Warren James, Mount Holly, N. C. (S); Clyde Black, Mount Holly, N. C. (I); Cora Maness, Mount Holly, N. C. (J).

WEBB'S CHAPEL—

WOODLAWN—James McGaha, Director, Lowell, N. C.; Thelma Oakley, Lowell, N. C. (S); Mrs. E. K. Carter, Lowell, N. C. (A); Oma McGaha, Lowell, N. C. (I); Ray Campbell, Lowell, N. C. (I); Doris McGaha, Lowell, N. C. (J); Boyd Godfrey, Lowell, N. C. (J).

Note—Churches blank on above list made no report of B. Y. P. U.

W. M. S. PRESIDENTS

ALEXIS—Mrs. Mamie Rhyne, Dallas, N. C., Route 2.

BELMONT, EAST—Mrs. W. D. Nichols, Belmont, N. C.

BELMONT, FIRST—Mrs. R. B. Suggs, Belmont, N. C.

BESSEMER CITY—Mrs. W. A. Lindsay, Bessemer City, N. C.

BETHEL—

BRUINGTON—

CENTERVIEW—Mrs. F. M. Huggins, Belmont, N. C.

CHERRYVILLE—Mrs. L. C. McDowell, Cherryville, N. C.

CRAMERTON—Mrs. W. E. Blanton, Cramerton, N. C.

DALLAS—Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.

GASTONIA, CALVARY—Mrs. J. G. Stephenson, Pinkney Station, Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, EAST—Mrs. D. C. Warren, Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, FIRST—Mrs. Ben Guion, Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, FLINT-GROVES—Mrs. B. F. Austin, E. Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, LORAY—Mrs. D. A. Grigg, West Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, S. MARIETTA STREET—Mrs. J. H. Bradley, Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, TEMPLE—

HARDIN—
HICKORY GROVE—
HIGH SHOALS—
HULL'S GROVE
LONG CREEK MEMORIAL—
LOWELL, FIRST—Mrs. L. P. Barnett, Lowell, N. C.
McADENVILLE—Mrs. J. C. Harris, McAdenville, N. C.
MOUNTAIN SIDE—
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
MOUNT BEULAH—Mrs. W. B. Elam, Bessemer City, N. C.
MOUNT HOLLY, FIRST—Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mount Holly, N. C.
MOUNT ZION—
RANLO—Mrs. O. G. Payseur, Ranlo Station, Gastonia, N. C.
SANDY PLAINS—Mrs. J. L. Featherston, Cramerton, N. C.
SHADY GROVE—
TUCKASEEGE—Willie Beach, Mount Holly, N. C.
WEBB'S CHAPEL—
WOODLAWN—Mrs. J. L. Hawkins, Lowell, N. C.

Note—Churches blank made no report of W. M. U.

Y. W. A. COUNSELORS

BELMONT, FIRST—Mrs. R. A. Kelly, Belmont, N. C.
BESSEMER CITY—Lucy Williams, Bessemer City, N. C.
CHERRYVILLE—Mrs. L. C. McDowell, Cherryville, N. C.
CRAMERTON—Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.
DALLAS—Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.
GASTONIA, EAST—Mrs. T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FIRST—Mrs. J. Robert Wright, Gastonia, N. C.
McADENVILLE—Jessie Rankin, McAdenville, N. C.
MOUNT HOLLY—Mrs. N. E. Batchelor, Mount Holly, N. C.

Note—Only churches reporting above are listed.

R. A. LEADERS

BELMONT, EAST—Plato Hardin, Belmont, N. C.
BELMONT, FIRST—Clyde Clark, Belmont, N. C.
BESSEMER CITY—Mrs. Henry Holden, Bessemer City, N. C.
CRAMERTON—Miss Aggie Ashe, Cramerton, N. C.
GASTONIA, FIRST—Mrs. B. A. Bowers, Jr., Gastonia, N. C.
MOUNT HOLLY, FIRST—Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mount Holly, N. C.

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G. A. LEADERS

BELMONT, EAST—Maude Reep, Belmont, N. C.
BELMONT, FIRST—Mrs. Esmer Burns, Belmont, N. C.
BESSEMER CITY—Mrs. Frank Sisk (I), Bessemer City, N. C.; Mrs. H. Holden (J), Bessemer, City, N. C.
CHERRYVILLE—Mrs. E. E. McDowell, Cherryville, N. C.
CRAMERTON—Miss Aggie Ashe, Miss Irma Fisher,, Cramerton, N. C.
GASTONIA, EAST—Mrs. Doyt Ledford, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FIRST—Mrs. Geo. Belk, Gastonia, N. C.
McADENVILLE—Mrs. J. C. Harris, McAdenville, N. C.
MOUNT BEULAH—Mrs. R. E. Drye, Bessemer City, N. C.
MOUNT HOLLY, FIRST—Mrs. J. D. Hobbs, Mount Holly, N. C.
RANLO—Mrs. W. N. Williams, Gastonia, N. C.

Note—Only Churches reporting above are listed.

SUNBEAM LEADERS

BELMONT, EAST—Mrs. Lela Rhinehardt, Belmont, N. C.
BELMONT, FIRST—Mrs. R. B. Suggs, Jr., Belmont, N. C.
BESSEMER CITY—Sarah White Rhyne, Bessemer City, N. C.
CENTERVIEW—Ruby Eplee, Mount Holly, N. C., Route.
CRAMERTON—Helen Hudspeth, Cramerton, N. C.
DALLAS—Grace Dixon, Dallas, N. C.
GASTONIA, EAST—Mrs. A. N. Simpson, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FIRST—Mrs. E. R. Morgan, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, LORAY—Mrs. Carl Robinson, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, S. MARIETTA STREET—Rosie Bamoun, Gastonia, N. C.
LOWELL, FIRST—Mrs. C. B. Lowery, Lowell, N. C.
McADENVILLE—Essie Rector, McAdenville, N. C.
MOUNT BEULAH—Mrs. Harry Barbee, Lincolnton, N. C. Rt. 5.
MOUNT HOLLY, FIRST—Hildegarde Barnes, Mount Holly, N. C.
WOODLAWN—Mrs. D. O. Ragan, Lowell, N. C.

Note—Only Churches reporting above are listed.

LAYMEN'S BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS

BELMONT, EAST—J. B. Brown, Belmont, N. C.
BELMONT, FIRST—R. A. Kelly, Belmont, N. C.

Note—Only Churches reporting above are listed.

MINISTER'S ORDAINED THIS YEAR

BESSEMER CITY—John Bennett, Norwood, N. C.

BETHEL—Blanchard Horn, Kings Mountain, N. C.

Note—Only Churches reporting above are listed.

STUDENTS OF MINISTRY

BESSEMER CITY—H. S. Fox, Eastern Theological Seminary; W. A. Weston, Louisville, Ky., Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

GASTONIA, LORAY—Theodore Newton, Gastonia, N. C. Fruitland Institute.

HARDIN—G. Truett High, Wake Forest College.

Note—Only Churches reporting above are listed.

TABLE I. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC.

CHURCHES	Is It in a Village, Town, City or Country?	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting
1. Alexis	Village	1903	S. M. Stroupe, Alexis, N. C.	1-3
2. Belmont, East	Town	1912	P. A. Hicks, Belmont, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
3. Belmont, First	Town	1874	R. A. Kelly, Belmont, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
4. Bessemer City	Town	1897	Pastorate Vacant	1, 2, 3, 4
5. Bethel	Village	1926	Blanchard Horn, Kings Mountain, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
6. Bruington	Town	1853	C. J. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.	2 & 4
7. Centerview	Town	1920	F. M. Huggins, Belmont, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
8. Cherryville	Town	1893	David E. Bobbitt, Cherryville, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
9. Cramerton	Village	1910	Dr. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
10. Dallas	Town	1879	W. T. Baucom, Dallas, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
11. Gastonia, Calvary	City	1920	J. A. Hudson, Pinkney Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
12. Gastonia, East	City	1900	T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
13. Gastonia, First	City	1874	Dr. B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
14. Gastonia, Flint-Groves	City	1923	B. F. Austin, East Gastonia, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
15. Gastonia, Loray	City	1905	Dr. J. W. Whitley, Gastonia, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
16. Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	City	1917	Geo. W. Davis, Gastonia, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
17. Gastonia, Temple	City	1926	W. Arthur Hoffman, Gastonia, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
18. Hardin	Village	1928	H. W. Baucom, Gastonia, N. C.	1 & 3
19. Hickory Grove	Country	1873	T. H. Roach, R. 5, Lincolnton, N. C.	2 & 4
20. High Shoals	Village	1912	C. C. Grogan, Union Mills, N. C.	2 & 4
21. Hull's Grove	Country	1890	A. L. Campbell, Gastonia, N. C.	4
22. Long Creek Memorial	Country	1772	C. E. Phillips, Dallas, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
23. Lowell, First	Town	1890	L. P. Barnett, Lowell, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
24. McAdenville	Town	1887	D. C. Wesson, McAdenville, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
25. Mountain Side	Village	1933	Vacant	2 & 3
26. Mountain View	Village	1928	Johnie Moss, Kings Mountain, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
27. Mount Beulah	Country	1916	C. J. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.	2 & 4
28. Mount Holly, First	Town	1890	M. L. Barnes, Mount Holly, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
29. Mount Zion	Country	1857	D. F. Putnam, Shelby, N. C.	1 & 3
30. Ranlo	Village	1919	W. L. Walters, Gastonia, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4
31. Sandy Plains	Country	1863	M. P. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C.	2 & 4
32. Shady Grove	Country	1881	W. G. Camp, Cherryville, N. C.	1 & 3
33. Tuckaseege	Village	1912	Vacant	
34. Webb's Chapel	Country	1892	T. H. Roach, R. 5, Lincolnton, N. C.	1
35. Woodlawn	Village	1928	G. G. Bowen, Cramerton, N. C.	1, 2, 3, 4

R. G. Mace, Moderator Gaston County Baptist Asso., P. O. Box Belmont, N. C.
W. L. Walters, Clerk of Gaston County Baptist Asso., P. O. Gastonia, N. C.

GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, SEPTEMBER 30, 1934

Members Reported Last Year	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP								Total	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revival Meetings Held During Year	Observance of Lord's Supper During Year	Families Receiving State Baptist Paper
	Gains				Losses								
	Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Deaths	Exclusions	Erasures	Total Present Members				
221	10	7			5	1			232	Yes	1	1	5
534	1	6	1		15	1	2		524	Yes	1	3	5
428	35	29	3	2	19	8	4	3	463	Yes	1	3	15
524	16	32	2	3	12	2			563	Yes	1	3	
90					4				86	Yes	3	2	
305	16	11			15	2			315	Yes	1	4	5
326	20	16	2		6	4	4		350	Yes	2	4	2
482	24	10	1		14	4	12		487	Yes	2	4	35
530	21	19			21	2	3		544	Yes	1	2	10
248	7	10			8	1		1	255	Yes	1	4	40
504	8	16	11	2	12	4	6		519	Yes	2	3	3
525	32	17	2		13	5	11		547	Yes	1	4	17
1,091	41	68	3		66	7	47		1,083	Yes	1	4	10
319	5	10	4	1	12	3			324	Yes	1	1	2
1,034	45	81	1	2	45	6	3	165	944	Yes	2	4	5
336	70	18	4	4	27	3			402	Yes	2	3	
504	20	17	2	1	17	4	7		516	Yes	2	4	1
132	1	4			3			3	131	Yes	2	3	3
189	12	9	1		5	3			203	Yes	1	1	
111		5			2	1			113	No	2	0	0
172		1				2		71	100	Yes	2	1	
444	1	7			4			215	233	Yes	1	4	5
380	18	9		5	9	1	3		399	Yes	2	4	6
275	17	8		2	9	2	13		278	Yes	1	4	8
135	1	1	1	2	8				132	Yes	2	1	1
80		3	1			2		39	43	Yes	2	3	
122	9	1			5	2		3	122	No	1	2	3
681	22	5	3		8			5	698	Yes	1	4	
238				1	6	1			232	No	1		
462	18	13	3		8	2	1	22	463	Yes	1	3	1
294	11	3			12				296	Yes	1	2	
180	8	7			1				194	No	1	1	2
185	6	5			13	3			180	Yes	1	2	1
91		7			3	1			94	Yes	1	2	
127	50	7	2		10				176	Yes	2	1	
12,299	545	462	47	25	417	77	116	527	12,241				185

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, SEPTEMBER 30, 1934.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT									
		Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years and Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Home Department	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment—Including Officers, Teachers, Pupils
1. Alexis	D. B. Bradshaw, Alexis, N. C.	18	20	36	27	33	35			15	184
2. Belmont, East	J. B. Page, Belmont, N. C.	36	64	105	47	76	84	118		51	581
3. Belmont, First	D. P. Stowe, Belmont, N. C.	37	56	75	40	53	52	34	24	65	436
4. Bessemer City	Henry L. Fowler, Bessemer City, N. C.	33	49	81	45	69	125	84	35	50	571
5. Bethel	Ed. Wall, R. 1, Gastonia, N. C.		40		30		88			6	164
6. Bruington	Hermon Lineberger, Stanley, N. C.	10	32	24	29	54	32			16	197
7. Centerview	O. R. Stewart, No. 7 Acme, Belmont, N. C.	58	63	97	94	88	140	57	20	40	657
8. Cherryville	J. T. Allen, Cherryville, N. C.	24	21	70	48	98	73	24	18	40	416
9. Cramerton	Guy S. Walker, Cramerton, N. C.	33	58	92	75	136	81	38	88	60	661
10. Dallas	R. B. Lineberger, Dallas, N. C.	25	19	18	22	25	28	26	20	20	203
11. Gastonia, Calvary	R. L. Taylor, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	20	50	75	45	75	110	10		40	425
12. Gastonia, East	B. M. Warren, Gastonia, N. C.	34	52	103	47	76	123	17		58	510
13. Gastonia, First	W. B. Hair, Gastonia, N. C.	81	126	134	140	74	362	47	100	101	1,165
14. Gastonia, Flint-Groves	M. R. Thomas, East Gastonia, N. C.	35	20	50	18	100	80			24	327
15. Gastonia, Loray	Jno. P. Smith, Gastonia, N. C.	64	133	157	118	92	304	27	40	82	1,017
16. Gastonia, Marietta St.	M. C. Sowell, Gastonia, N. C.	30	89	105	42	15	94	12		33	420
17. Gastonia, Temple	Otto Perry, R. 4, Gastonia, N. C.	37	87	125	114	122	165			50	700
18. Hardin	J. J. Friday, R. 4, Dallas, N. C.		30	34	18	46	36			7	171
19. Hickory Grove	B. J. Hovis, Belmont, N. C.	19	17	32	20	45	47			12	192
20. High Shoals	J. S. McFadden, High Shoals, N. C.		31	36	49	53	23		30	9	231
21. Hull's Grove	J. H. Brendle, R. 3, Vale, N. C.	8	12	15	18	18	22			12	105
22. Long Creek Memorial	B. M. Holland, Dallas, N. C.	14	20	39	48	60	57			15	253
23. Lowell, First	R. L. Reid, Lowell, N. C.	38	71	60	73	56	76	36		46	456
24. McAdenville	B. H. Waters, McAdenville, N. C.	13	62	72	54	60	91	86	36	25	499
25. Mountain Side	A. B. Boozer, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.						166			12	178
26. Mountain View	J. A. Culberson, R. 1, Kings Mountain, N. C.		12	12	18	14	18			9	103
27. Mount Beulah	L. A. Barbee, R. 5, Lincolnton, N. C.	9	7	16	16	28	14			13	83
28. Mount Holly, First	R. B. Watkins, Mount Holly, N. C.	40	75	130	90	50	250	25	30	54	744
29. Mount Zion	Geo. D. Beam, Cherryville, N. C.	9	14	24	10	22	22	5		31	137
30. Ranlo	John Ladd, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	29	36	45	70	63	59	15	15	24	356
31. Sandy Plains	J. A. Reneau, R. 3, Gastonia, N. C.	35		28	36	37	117			10	263
32. Shady Grove	Roy Witherspoon, R.F.D., Kings Mountain, N.C.	14		12	16	13	19			12	86
33. Tuckaseege	J. A. Grice, R. 1, Mount Holly, N. C.	30	13	33	23	42	67			11	219
34. Webb's Chapel	Howard Huss, Lincolnton, N. C.	13	10		11	8	15	8		7	72
35. Woodlawn											
TOTAL		846	1,389	1,935	1,551	1,801	3,075	669	456	1,060	12,782

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TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, SEPTEMBER 30, 1934.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	SPECIAL INFORMATION									
		What Is Your Av. Attendance	Is the School Graded?	Is It Standard A-1?	Teachers Holding Normal Diplomas	Baptisms From School	Have You a Mission Sun. School?	Enrollment of Mission S. S.	Did You Hold a Daily Vacation Bible School?	Enrollment Daily Vacation School	Average Attendance Daily Vacation School
1. Alexis	D. B. Bradshaw, Alexis, N. C.	106	Yes	No	15	10	No				
2. Belmont, East	J. B. Page, Belmont, N. C.	316	Yes	No	15				No		
3. Belmont, First	D. P. Stowe, Belmont, N. C.	285	Yes	Yes	43	25	No		No		
4. Bessemer City	Henry L. Fowler, Bessemer City, N. C.	231	Yes	No	24		No		No		
5. Bethel	Ed. Wall, R. 1, Gastonia, N. C.	60	No	No					No		
6. Bruington	Hermon Lineberger, Stanley, N. C.	194	Yes	No		14	No		No		
7. Centerview	O. R. Stewart, No. 7 Acme, Belmont, N. C.	245	Yes	No	4	18	No		No		
8. Cherryville	J. T. Allen, Cherryville, N. C.	177	Yes	No	26	22	No		No		
9. Cramerton	Guy S. Walker, Cramerton, N. C.	309	Yes	Yes	37	17	No		No		
10. Dallas	R. B. Lineberger, Dallas, N. C.	114	Yes	Yes	14	5	No		Yes	59	47
11. Gastonia, Calvary	R. L. Taylor, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	280	Yes	No	9	6	No		No		
12. Gastonia, East	B. M. Warren, Gastonia, N. C.	300	Yes	No	40	24	Yes	31	No		
13. Gastonia, First	W. B. Hair, Gastonia, N. C.	526	Yes	Yes	90	41	No		Yes	178	140
14. Gastonia, Flint-Groves	M. R. Thomas, East Gastonia, N. C.	251	No	No	5	5	No		No		
15. Gastonia, Loray	Jno. P. Smith, Gastonia, N. C.	454	Yes	Yes	50	45	No		No		
16. Gastonia, Marietta St.	M. C. Sowell, Gastonia, N. C.	232	Yes	No	2	60	Yes	66	No		
17. Gastonia, Temple	Otto Perry, R. 4, Gastonia, N. C.	276	Yes	No	31	18	No		No		
18. Hardin	J. J. Friday, R. 4, Dallas, N. C.	120	No	No			No		No		
19. Hickory Grove	B. J. Hovis, Belmont, N. C.	142	No	No	2		No		No		
20. High Shoals	J. S. McFadden, High Shoals, N. C.	131	No	No			No		No		
21. Hull's Grove	J. H. Brendle, R. 3, Vale, N. C.	50	No	No	1		No		Yes	59	48
22. Long Creek Memorial	B. M. Holland, Dallas, N. C.	164	Yes	No	12	1	No		No		
23. Lowell, First	R. L. Reid, Lowell, N. C.	262	Yes	No	25	15	No		No		
24. McAdenville	B. H. Waters, McAdenville, N. C.	227	Yes	No	17	15	No		No		
25. Mountain Side	A. B. Boozer, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.		No	No			No		No		
26. Mountain View	J. A. Culberson, R. 1, Kings Mountain, N. C.	65	No	No			No		No		
27. Mount Beulah	L. A. Barbee, R. 5, Lincolnton, N. C.	60	Yes	No	8	9	No		No		
28. Mount Holly, First	R. B. Watkins, Mount Holly, N. C.	406	Yes	No	30	20	No		Yes	161	115
29. Mount Zion	Geo. D. Beam, Cherryville, N. C.	70	Yes	No	19		No		No		
30. Ranlo	John Ladd, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	193	Yes	No	20	10	No		No		
31. Sandy Plains	J. A. Reneau, R. 3, Gastonia, N. C.	152	No	No		11	No		No		
32. Shady Grove	Roy Witherspoon, R.F.D., Kings Mountain, N.C.	55	Yes	No	12	5	No				
33. Tuckaseege	J. A. Grice, R. 1, Mount Holly, N. C.	134	No	No		6	No		No		
34. Webb's Chapel	Howard Huss, Lincolnton, N. C.	35	Yes	No			No		No		
35. Woodlawn											
TOTAL					551	401		97		457	350

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TABLE III. CHURCH PROPERTY OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, SEPTEMBER 30, 1934

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS POST OFFICES	Does Church Own House of Worship	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Number of Department Assembly Rooms	Number Separate Class Rooms
1. Alexis	C. L. Abernathy, Alexis, N. C.	Yes	1904	Wood	400	5	4	4
2. Belmont, East	L. H. Warren, Belmont, N. C.	Yes	1930	Brick	550	33	5	27
3. Belmont, First	Jas. G. Todd, Belmont, N. C.	Yes	1912	Brick	500	6	5	11
4. Bessemer City	Henry L. Fowler, Bessemer City, N. C.	Yes	1922	Brick	500	13	5	28
5. Bethel	Ed. Wall, R. 1, Gastonia, N. C.	No		Wood	200	3	3	3
6. Bruington	A. C. Taylor, Stanley, N. C.	Yes	1924	Brick	400	11	1	11
7. Centerview	C. C. Holtzclaw, Stowe Mill, Belmont, N. C.	Yes	1924	Brick	600	4	3	22
8. Cherryville	David P. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.	Yes	1921	Brick	600	23	4	21
9. Cramerton	R. L. Leeper, Cramerton, N. C.	No	1921	Brick	500	5	10	10
10. Dallas	R. E. Cooke, Dallas, N. C.	Yes	1914	Brick	600	6	5	5
11. Gastonia, Calvary	C. C. McArver, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	Yes	1923	Brick	475	12	2	10
12. Gastonia, East	C. W. Cloninger, East Gastonia, N. C.	Yes	1900	Brick	600	12	6	43
13. Gastonia, First	Herrick Brumley, Gastonia, N. C.	Yes	1923	Brick	1,392	26	7	41
14. Gastonia, Flint-Groves	A. L. Cline, East Gastonia, N. C.	Yes	1923	Br. & W.	1,000	12	3	12
15. Gastonia, Loray	John P. Smith, Gastonia, N. C.	Yes	1907	Wood	1,200	41		41
16. Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	Cecil S. Withers, Gastonia, N. C.	Yes	1919	Brick	400	12	7	12
17. Gastonia, Temple	Otto Perry, R. 4, Gastonia, N. C.	Yes	1928	Wood	400	30	6	30
18. Hardin	J. F. Lynn, R. 1, Dallas, N. C.	Yes	1928	Brick	400	3		3
19. Hickory Grove	H. W. Abernathy, R. 2, Mount Holly, N. C.	Yes	1905	Wood	500	3	2	2
20. High Shoals	J. T. Lackey, High Shoals, N. C.	Yes	1912	Wood	350	5		
21. Hull's Grove	W. L. Cansler, Vale, N. C.	Yes	1895	Wood	350	8		5
22. Long Creek Memorial	T. S. Summey, Box 85, Dallas, N. C.	Yes	1920	Brick	1,000	11	1	8
23. Lowell, First	R. K. Shields, Lowell, N. C.	Yes	1928	Brick	500	31	8	8
24. McAdenville	E. F. Hoffman, McAdenville, N. C.	Yes	1887	Wood	400	9	4	27
25. Mountain Side	C. Y. Smith, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.	Yes		Wood	350	4	14	14
26. Mountain View	J. H. Duncan, R. 1, Kings Mountain, N. C.	No		Wood	300	1		
27. Mount Beulah	M. L. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.	Yes	1917	Wood	400	9		
28. Mount Holly, First	T. L. Ware, Mount Holly, N. C.	Yes		Brick	1,000	24	2	24
29. Mount Zion	W. C. Houser, Cherryville, N. C.	Yes	1903	Wood	400	10	2	3
30. Ranlo	A. C. Warlick, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.	Yes	1923	Brick	400	17	3	17
31. Sandy Plains	W. E. Barnes, R. 3, Gastonia, N. C.	Yes	1875	Wood	500	5	4	4
32. Shady Grove	D. R. Stroupe, R. 2, Cherryville, N. C.	Yes	1881	Wood	250	4	4	4
33. Tuckaseege	J. M. Beach, Mount Holly, N. C.	Yes	1912	Wood	300	3		
34. Webb's Chapel	F. B. Carpenter, Gastonia, N. C.	Yes	1892	Wood	250	1		
35. Woodlawn	A. L. Stafford, Lowell, N. C.	No						

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CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Mission Chapel if Any	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
1. Alexis	C. L. Abernathy, Alexis, N. C.	$ 2,000.00	NOTHING TO REPORT IN THIS COLUMN	$	$ 2,000.00	$	$
2. Belmont, East	L. H. Warren, Belmont, N. C.	25,000.00		1,500.00	26,500.00	11,112.00	15,000.00
3. Belmont, First	Jas. G. Todd, Belmont, N. C.	29,000.00		12,000.00	41,000.00	3,500.00	16,800.00
4. Bessemer City	Henry L. Fowler, Bessemer City, N. C.	40,000.00			40,000.00	9,000.00	15,000.00
5. Bethel	Ed. Wall, R. 1, Gastonia, N. C.						
6. Bruington	A. C. Taylor, Stanley, N. C.	20,000.00		3,000.00	23,000.00	5,650.00	9,000.00
7. Centerview	C. C. Holtzclaw, Stowe Mill, Belmont, N. C.	8,000.00		2,000.00	10,000.00	4,577.87	8,100.00
8. Cherryville	David P. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.	50,000.00		3,500.00	53,500.00	10,000.00	20,000.00
9. Cramerton	R. L. Leeper, Cramerton, N. C.	50,000.00		3,000.00	53,000.00		25,000.00
10. Dallas	R. E. Cooke, Dallas, N. C.	18,000.00		6,000.00	24,000.00		10,000.00
11. Gastonia, Calvary	C. C. McArver, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	15,000.00		2,500.00	17,500.00	8,359.00	12,000.00
12. Gastonia, East	C. W. Cloninger, East Gastonia, N. C.	30,000.00		10,000.00	40,000.00	4,000.00	20,000.00
13. Gastonia, First	Herrick Brumlet, Gastonia, N. C.	250,000.00		30,000.00	280,000.00		110,000.00
14. Gastonia, Flint-Groves	A. L. Cline, East Gastonia, N. C.	10,000.00			10,000.00	5,231.00	6,500.00
15. Gastonia, Loray	John P. Smith, Gastonia, N. C.	70,000.00			70,000.00		45,000.00
16. Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	Cecil S. Withers, Gastonia, N. C.	25,000.00			25,000.00	4,500.00	10,000.00
17. Gastonia, Temple	Otto Perry, R. 4, Gastonia, N. C.	9,000.00			9,000.00	3,000.00	5,000.00
18. Hardin	J. F. Lynn, R. 1, Dallas, N. C.	7,000.00			7,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00
19. Hickory Grove	H. W. Abernathy, R. 2, Mount Holly, N. C.	5,000.00			5,000.00		
20. High Shoals	J. T. Lackey, High Shoals	7,000.00			7,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00
21. Hull's Grove	W. L. Cansler, Vale, N. C.	1,500.00			1,500.00		
22. Long Creek Memorial	T. S. Summey, Box 85, Dallas, N. C.	1,800.00			1,800.00		1,100.00
23. Lowell, First	R. K. Shields, Lowell, N. C.	20,000.00		2,000.00	22,000.00	4,200.00	11,000.00
24. McAdenville	E. F. Hoffman, McAdenville, N. C.	45,000.00			45,000.00	17,500.00	20,000.00
25. Mountain Side	C. Y. Smith, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.	5,000.00		2,500.00	7,500.00	65.00	6,000.00
26. Mountain View	James H. Duncan, R. 1, Kings Mountain, N. C.						
27. Mount Beulah	M. L. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.	2,000.00			2,000.00		
28. Mount Holly, First	T. L. Ware, Mount Holly, N. C.	50,000.00		5,000.00	55,000.00	15,000.00	20,000.00
29. Mount Zion	W. C. Houser, Cherryville, N. C.	6,250.00			6,250.00		
30. Ranlo	A. C. Warlick, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.	16,500.00		3,500.00	20,000.00	2,700.00	13,000.00
31. Sandy Plains	W. E. Barnes, R. 3, Gastonia, N. C.	2,000.00			2,000.00		750.00
32. Shady Grove	D. R. Stroupe, R. 2, Cherryville, N. C.	1,500.00			1,500.00		
33. Tuckaseege	J. M. Beach, Mount Holly, N. C.	2,000.00		1,500.00	3,500.00		
34. Webb's Chapel	F. B. Carpenter, Gastonia, N. C.	3,000.00			3,000.00		
35. Woodlawn	A. L. Stafford, Lowell, N. C.						
TOTAL		$826,550.00		$ 88,000.00	$914,550.00	$110,397.87	$ 406,500.00

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TABLE IV. GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION SEPT. 30, 1934

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	FOR SUPPORT OF LOCAL CHURCH WORK					
		Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for Sunday School B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.
1. Alexis	F. B. Morris, Alexis, N. C.	$ 460.55	$	$ 50.00	$ 86.00	$ 21.21	$ 99.29
2. Belmont, East	J. D. Lingerfelt, Belmont, N. C.	1,820.00		68.00	797.52	522.69	257.82
3. Belmont, First	R. B. Suggs, Belmont, N. C.	2,700.00		250.00	1,055.00	725.09	230.56
4. Bessemer City	John A. Ramsey, Bessemer City, N. C.	1,129.22		25.00	1,506.08	430.67	183.09
5. Bethel	Ed. Wall, R. 1, Gastonia, N. C.	52.38					
6. Bruington		85.00			55.00	141.60	53.27
7. Centerview	W. S. Haynie, Belmont, N. C.	1,070.02	36.00	56.26	1,243.80	138.05	249.50
8. Cherryville	J. W. Kendrick, Cherryville	1,694.93		93.00	1,504.72	190.28	260.26
9. Cramerton	D. M. Ballard, Cramerton, N. C.	2,345.12		100.64	964.00	518.99	448.90
10. Dallas	E. R. Ryhne, Dallas, N. C.	900.00			93.05	197.68	143.05
11. Gastonia, Calvary	R. B. Price, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	1,560.00		150.63	1,355.50	175.10	197.49
12. Gastonia, East	C. O. Long, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	2,080.00			1,047.04	929.70	296.93
13. Gastonia, First	A. Froneberger, Gastonia, N. C.	3,600.00	2,444.00	500.00	1,475.75	1,894.75	568.82
14. Gastonia, Flint-Groves	W. D. Jenkins, East Gastonia, N. C.	1,193.95	90.00	110.00	466.57	105.55	80.00
15. Gastonia, Loray	R. C. Blanton, Gastonia, N. C.	2,600.00	220.80	160.00	788.88	912.58	855.72
16. Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	G. A. Howell, 512 Oak St., Gastonia, N. C.	1,085.25		70.00	253.97	229.99	256.53
17. Gastonia, Temple	F. N. Young, West Gastonia, N. C.	1,476.48		58.55	343.88	357.14	125.00
18. Hardin	E. W. Friday, R. 1, Dallas, N. C.	196.00			634.15		
19. Hickory Grove	H. W. Abernathy, R. 2, Mount Holly, N. C.	200.10			137.57	37.48	48.87
20. High Shoals	R. L. Vanoy, High Shoals, N. C.	631.02		55.50	442.26	44.73	89.64
21. Hull's Grove	W. L. Cansler, Vale, N. C.	81.00			51.80	18.00	35.00
22. Long Creek Memorial	Lewis Summey, Dallas, N. C.	1,106.29		75.00	854.35	488.29	56.00
23. Lowell, First	H. H. Roberts, Lowell, N. C.	1,362.00	100.00		2,879.61	296.00	461.00
24. McAdenville	C. E. Austin, McAdenville, N. C.	1,258.01		31.00	164.35	199.09	191.81
25. Mountain Side	C. Y. Smith, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.	287.44		22.53		54.20	49.66
26. Mountain View	Horace C. Ross, R. 1, Kings Mountain, N. C.	112.00			7.00	92.50	26.00
27. Mount Beulah	W. B. Elam, R. 5, Lincolnton, N. C.	350.00		35.18	6.65	115.50	45.81
28. Mount Holly, First	H. G. Harris, Mount Holly, N. C.	2,480.00		55.00	292.61	372.06	295.47
29. Mount Zion	C. J. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.	300.00		31.51		18.41	64.78
30. Ranlo	Miss Ann Mashburn, Gastonia-Ranlo Sta., N. C.	1,474.00		60.00	1,390.53	200.94	151.00
31. Sandy Plains	W. E. Barnes, R. 3, Gastonia, N. C.	433.54		45.74		31.27	53.57
32. Shady Grove	D. M. Witherspoon, R. 2, Cherryville, N. C.	264.00		43.80			
33. Tuckaseege	J. M. Beach, Mount Holly, N. C.	300.00		75.00	50.00	124.65	139.04
34. Webb's Chapel	W. R. Huffstetler, Lincolnton, N. C.	30.00		8.00	6.00	15.00	
35. Woodlawn	James McGaha, Lowell, N. C.	728.00		117.80		78.76	79.48
TOTAL		$ 37,446.30	$ 2,890.80	$ 2,348.14	$ 19,953.64	$ 9,737.95	$ 6,093.36

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CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	FOR SUPPORT OF LOCAL CHURCH WORK					
		Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	Given by All W. M. U. Organizations	Given by the Sunday School	Total for Local Purposes Given by the Church and All Its Organizations
1. Alexis	F. B. Morris, Alexis, N. C.	$	$ 2.50	$	$	$ 145.50	$ 719.55
2. Belmont, East	J. D. Lingerfelt, Belmont, N. C.	6.00		40.00			3,512.03
3. Belmont, First	R. B. Suggs, Belmont, N. C.	25.64	10.00	122.69			5,118.98
4. Bessemer City	Jno. A. Ramsey, Bessemer City, N. C.		3.00			285.88	3,277.06
5. Bethel	Ed. Wall, R. 1, Gastonia, N. C.			165.50			217.88
6. Bruington							334.87
7. Centerview	W. S. Haynie, Belmont, N. C.		3.00	45.00			2,841.63
8. Cherryville	J. W. Kendrick, Cherryville, N. C.			225.00		287.32	3,968.19
9. Cramerton	D. M. Ballard, Cramerton, N. C.	8.05	10.00	14.12	9.85	447.10	4,409.82
10. Dallas	E. R. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C.		3.50	15.27	16.17	150.65	1,352.55
11. Gastonia, Calvary	R. B. Price, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.		12.00	93.35			3,544.07
12. Gastonia, East	C. O. Long, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	25.00	5.00	72.50		316.93	4,456.17
13. Gastonia, First	A. Froneberger, Gastonia, N. C.					568.82	10,483.32
14. Gastonia, Flint-Groves	W. D. Jenkins, East Gastonia, N. C.		5.00	100.00	31.38	256.53	2,151.07
15. Gastonia, Loray	R. C. Blanton, Gastonia, N. C.		10.00	101.00	8.50		5,648.98
16. Gastonia, Marietta St.	G. A. Howell, 512 Oak St., Gastonia, N. C.						1,895.74
17. Gastonia, Temple	F. N. Young, West Gastonia, N. C.	6.57	5.00	25.00		146.00	2,397.62
18. Hardin	E. W. Friday, R. 1, Dallas, N. C.						830.15
19. Hickory Grove	H. W. Abernathy, R. 2, Mount Holly, N. C.			9.10			433.12
20. High Shoals	R. L. Vanoy, High Shoals, N. C.			101.91			1,365.06
21. Hull's Grove	W. L. Cansler, Vale, N. C.	10.00	1.00			41.00	196.80
22. Long Creek Memorial	Lewis Summey, Dallas, N. C.					327.77	2,579.93
23. Lowell, First	H. H. Roberts, Lowell, N. C.	77.70	3.00	47.00			5,226.31
24. McAdenville	C. E. Austin, McAdenville, N. C.		1.50	65.44			1,911.20
25. Mountain Side	C. Y. Smith, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.		3.89	77.41		179.57	495.13
26. Mountain View	Horace C. Ross, R. 1, Kings Mountain, N. C.			7.50			245.00
27. Mount Beulah	W. B. Elam, R. 5, Lincolnton, N. C.		3.00	2.00		169.96	558.14
28. Mount Holly, First	H. G. Harris, Mount Holly, N. C.	70.00	5.00	30.94	50.00	467.98	3,601.08
29. Mount Zion	C. J. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.					81.88	414.70
30. Ranlo	Miss Ann Mashburn, Gastonia-Ranlo Station		5.00	21.35		211.25	3,362.82
31. Sandy Plains	W. E. Barnes, R. 3, Gastonia, N. C.					53.57	564.12
32. Shady Grove	D. M. Witherspoon, R. 2, Cherryville, N. C.		3.55	4.00			315.35
33. Tuckaseege	J. M. Beach, Mount Holly, N. C.	75.00		78.88			842.57
34. Webb's Chapel	W. R. Huffstetler, Lincolnton, N. C.						59.00
35. Woodlawn	James McGaha, Lowell, N. C.						1,004.04
TOTAL		$ 303.96	$ 94.94	$ 1,464.96	$ 115.90	$ 3,987.06	$ 80,334.05

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TABLE V. GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES, GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSO. SEPTEMBER 30, 1934.

	CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICE	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Christian and Ministerial Education	Special to Orphanage
1.	Alexis	F. B. Morris, Alexis, N. C.	$ 176.67	$	$ 35.00	$ 20.60	$ 14.10	$	$ 131.85
2.	Belmont, East	J. D. Lingerfelt, Belmont, N. C.	604.88		12.13	4.35	7.25		186.07
3.	Belmont, First	R. B. Suggs, Belmont, N. C.	1,750.22						240.36
4.	Bessemer City	John A. Ramsey, Bessemer City, N. C.	25.00	2.50	40.75	24.90	45.15	11.15	102.40
5.	Bethel	Ed. Wall, R. 1, Gastonia, N. C.							
6.	Bruington	Not Given							54.25
7.	Centerview	W. S. Haynie, Belmont, N. C.	61.00			5.00	5.00		51.59
8.	Cherryville	J. W. Kendrick, Cherryville, N. C.	853.85		21.50	24.00	19.50	1.00	180.00
9.	Cramerton	D. M. Ballard, Cramerton, N. C.	1,067.06		54.43	13.00	42.50		175.20
10.	Dallas	E. R. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C.	215.43		25.73	29.78			83.77
11.	Gastonia, Calvary	R. B. Price, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	91.90						81.90
12.	Gastonia, East	C. O. Long, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	321.61		23.56	10.80	41.60		328.76
13.	Gastonia, First	A. Froneberger, Gastonia, N. C.	7,321.35	120.20	118,77	187.69			814.43
14.	Gastonia, Flint-Groves	W. D. Jenkins, East Gastonia, N. C.	46.68						12.82
15.	Gastonia, Loray	R. C. Blanton, Gastonia, N. C.	302.08		11.00	13.59	9.61	5.00	228.00
16.	Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	G. A. Howell, Gastonia, N. C.	110.98						
17.	Gastonia, Temple	F. N. Young, West Gastonia, N. C.	35.00						56.00
18.	Hardin	E. W. Friday, R. 1, Dallas, N. C.							
19.	Hickory Grove	H. W. Abernathy, Mt. Holly, N. C., R. 2	31.66						65.70
20.	High Shoals	R. L. Vanoy, High Shoals, N. C.							
21	Hull's Grove	W. L. Cansler, Vale, N. C.			5.00	5.00	2.40	9.00	2.50
22.	Long Creek Memorial	Lewis Summey, Dallas, N. C.	143.56		9.68				59.88
23.	Lowell, First	H. H. Roberts, Lowell, N. C.	66.00						29.17
24.	McAdenville	C. E. Austin, McAdenville, N. C.	266.88						52.12
25.	Mountain Side	C. Y. Smith, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.					4.87		6.50
26.	Mountain View	H. C. Ross, R. 1, Kings Mountain, N. C.							
27.	Mount Beulah	W. B. Elam, R. 5, Lincolnton, N. C.	8.32		5.92	55.87	1.00	.25	29.79
28.	Mount Holly, First	H. G. Harris, Mount Holly, N. C.	488.00		9.00				160.59
29.	Mount Zion	C. J. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.		1.00	2.40				15.85
30.	Ranlo	Miss Ann Mashburn, Gastonia-Ranlo Sta.	161.45				12.84		60.05
31.	Sandy Plains	W. E. Barnes, R. 3, Gastonia, N. C.	47.90		9.10				20.47
32.	Shady Grove	D. M. Witherspoon, R.2, Cherryville, N. C.			13.50	10.14	18.95		25.46
33.	Tuckaseege	J. M. Beach, Mount Holly, N. C.	29.85		36.89	13.70	15.18		110.79
34.	Webb's Chapel	W. R. Huffstetler, Lincolnton, N. C.							1.58
35.	Woodlawn	James McGaha, Lowell, N. C.	64.74						
	TOTAL		$ 14,292.07	$ 123.70	$ 434.36	$ 418.42	$ 239.95	$ 26.40	$ 3,367.85

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TABLE V. GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES, GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSO. SEPTEMBER 30, 1934.

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Special Hospitals	Special to Old Ministers' Relief	Other Special Gifts	Given by W. M. U. Organizations	Given by the Sunday School	Total for Missions and Benevolences Given by Church and All Departments	Grand Total Given for All Purposes Last Year
1. Alexis	F. B. Morris, Alexis, N. C.	$ 23.50	$	$ 2.26	$ 121.76	$ 165.55	$ 403.98	$ 1,123.53
2. Belmont, East	J. D. Lingerfelt, Belmont, N. C.						814.68	4,326.71
3. Belmont, First	R. B. Suggs, Belmont, N. C.	39.56					2,030.14	7,149.12
4. Bessemer City	John A. Ramsey, Bessemer City, N. C.	9.70		4.75	125.55	138.25	266.30	3,543.36
5. Bethel	Ed. Wall, R 1, Gastonia, N. C.		7.47				7.47	225.35
6. Bruington	Not given		6.00	3.89			64.14	399.01
7. Centerview	W. S. Haynie, Belmont, N. C.	6.03				67.62	128.62	2,970.25
8. Cherryville	J. W. Kendrick, Cherryville, N. C.	8.00		23.61	351.80	160.86	1,131.46	5,099.65
9. Cramerton	D. M. Ballard, Cramerton, N. C.	43.19		7.85	70.25	265.92	1,403.23	5,813.05
10. Dallas	E. R. Rhyne, Dallas	18.50		57.00	151.02	151.53	430.21	1,782.76
11. Gastonia, Calvary	R. B. Price, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	14.53		3.00	45.95	145.38	191.33	3,735.40
12. Gastonia, East	C. O. Long, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.	32.80		19.75	103.44	383.67	778.88	5,235.05
13. Gastonia, First	A. Froneberger, Gastonia, N. C.	30.67		58.17	2,323.43	917.80	8,651.28	19,134.60
14. Gastonia, Flint-Groves	W D. Jenkins, East Gastonia, N. C.	15.60				28.42	75.10	2,226.17
15. Gastonia, Loray	R. C. Blanton, Gastonia, N. C.				49.78	10.00	569.28	6,218.26
16. Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	G. A. Howell, Gastonia, N. C.						110.98	2,006.72
17. Gastonia, Temple	F. N. Young, West Gastonia, N. C.	12.00				68.00	103.00	2,500.62
18. Hardin	E. W. Friday, R. 1, Dallas, N. C.							830.15
19. Hickory Grove	H. W. Abernathy, R. 2, Mt. Holly, N. C.	6.58				72.28	103.94	537.06
20. High Shoals	R. L. Vanoy, High Shoals, N. C.							1,365.06
21. Hull's Grove	W. L. Cansler, Vale, N. C.					7.50	23.90	220.70
22. Long Creek Memorial	Lewis Summey, Dallas, N. C.	7.67				77.23	220.79	2,800.72
23. Lowell, First	H. H. Roberts, Lowell, N. C.				34.00	61.17	95.17	5,321.48
24. McAdenville	C. E. Austin, McAdenville, N. C.	10.55			67.21	62.67	329.55	2,240.75
25. Mountain Side	C. Y. Smith, R. 2, Gastonia, N. C.	5.40				16.77	16.77	511.90
26. Mountain View	H. C. Ross, R. 1, Kings Mountain, N. C.							245.00
27. Mount Beulah	W. B. Elam, R. 5, Lincolnton, N. C.	9.67			53.90	38.07	110.82	668.96
28. Mount Holly, First	H. G. Harris, Mount Holly, N. C.	14.10		62.28	350.00	183.69	733.97	4,335.05
29. Mount Zion	C. J. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.					18.25	19.25	433.95
30. Ranlo	Miss Ann Mashburn, Gastonia-Ranlo Sta.			35.42	12.84	104.07	269.76	3,632.58
31. Sandy Plains	W. E. Barnes, R. 3, Gastonia, N. C.	3.68		18.50	49.30	33.25	99.65	663.77
32. Shady Grove	D. M. Witherspoon, R. 2, Cherryville, N. C.	10.25	9.90	12.00		5.00	100.20	415.55
33. Tuckaseege	J. M. Beach, Mount Holly, N. C.	7.50			47.75	166.16	213.91	1,056.40
34. Webb's Chapel	W. R. Huffstetler, Lincolnton, N. C.						1.58	60.58
35. Woodlawn	James McGaha, Lowell, N. C.						64.74	1,068.78
TOTAL		$ 329.48	$ 23.37	$ 308.48	$ 3,957.98	$ 3,278.32	$ 19,564.08	$ 99,898.13

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TABLE VI. B. Y. P. U.'s AND MEN'S BROTHERHOODS, GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSO., SEPT. 30, 1934.

CHURCHES	THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK																Men's Brotherhoods	
	Does Church Have General B.Y.P.U. Organization?	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Standard Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Number Daily Bible Readers	Number Taking B.Y.P.U. Study Course	Total Systematic Givers in all Unions	Students in College from Your Church	Number Brotherhoods	Enrollment Brotherhoods
1. Alexis	Yes		1	1	1	3			25	26	17	68	55	62	12	1		
2. Belmont, East	Yes	1	1	1	1	4		12	12	12	10	46	25	24	36		1	12
3. Belmont, First	Yes	1	2	2	1	6		14	25	20	26	85	49	58	63		1	36
4. Bessemer City	Yes		1	1	2	4			17	33	23	73						
5. Bethel	No																	
6. Bruington	Yes		1	1	1	3			20	14	18	52						
7. Centerview	Yes	1	1	1	1	4		10	19	23	20	72	30	30	33	1		
8. Cherryville	Yes		1	1	1	3			15	28	26	69	38	35	23			
9. Cramerton	Yes	1	2	2	2	7	2	20	38	45	33	136	75	92	108			
10. Dallas	No		1	1	1	3			14	15	14	43	25	34	26	1		
11. Gastonia, Calvary	Yes		1	1	1	3			20	18	20	58	15	28	13			
12. Gastonia, East	Yes		1	2	1	4			8	24	16	48	23	28	23			
13. Gastonia, First	Yes		1	3	4	8			18	53	64	135	82	124	129			
14. Gastonia, Flint-Groves	No	1				1		15				15						
15. Gastonia, Loray	Yes	2	2	4	7	15	8	11	25	63	56	155	121	112	133	2		
16. Gastonia, South Marietta Street	Yes	1	1	2	4	8		11	30	40	30	111						
17. Gastonia, Temple	Yes	1	2	4	3	10		12	22	33	35	102	71	64	56			
18. Hardin																		
19. Hickory Grove																		
20. High Shoals	No		1	1		2			10	26		36	25	14	36			
21. Hull's Grove	No																	
22. Long Creek Memorial	Yes	1	1	1	1	4		10	13	32	19	74						
23. Lowell, First	Yes	1	1	2	2	6		11	13	26	23	73	46	55	56			
24. McAdenville	Yes	1		1	1	3		10		28	19	57	26	36	16			
25. Mountain Side	No																	
26. Mountain View	No																	
27. Mount Beulah	Yes	1	1	1	1	4		11	18	16	14	59	25	3	33			
28. Mount Holly, First	Yes	2	1	2	3	8	4	25	20	45	50	140	102	120	113			
29. Mount Zion	No																	
30. Ranlo	Yes		1	1	2	4			16	21	31	68	12	47	41			
31. Sandy Plains	No																	
32. Shady Grove	No		1		1	2			13		12	25	15	20	22			
33. Tuckaseege	Yes	1	1	2	1	5		13	36	28	8	85	24	33	57			
34. Webb's Chapel	No												1					
35. Woodlawn	Yes	1	1	2	2	6		20	20	25	25	90	62	66	62			
TOTALS		17	28	40	45	130	14	205	467	694	609	1,975	956	1,085	1,091	5	2	48

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TABLE VII. W. M. U's. OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, SEPTEMBER 30, 1934.

CHURCHES	W. M. U. WORK												
	Number of Women's Missionary Societies	Number of Y.W.A.'s	Number of G.A.'s	Number of R.A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Organizations	W. M. S. Members	Y.W.A.'s Members	G.A.'s Members	R.A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Total Enrolled in Mission Study Courses
1. Alexis	1					1	12					12	
2. Belmont, East	1		1	1	1	4	16		12	9	15	52	
3. Belmont, First	1	1	1	1	1	5	35	25	12	12	15	99	
4. Bessemer City	1	1	1	2	1	6	25	14	20	6	10	75	11
5. Bethel													
6. Bruington													
7. Centerview	1				1	2	20				10	30	
8. Cherryville	3	1	1			5	39	15	18			72	31
9. Cramerton	1	1	2	1	1	6	58	36	49	8	45	196	15
10. Dallas	1	1			1	3	22	9			14	45	10
11. Gastonia, Calvary	1					1	15					15	
12. Gastonia, East	1	1	1		1	4	36	26	15		33	110	
13. Gastonia, First	1	1	2	2	1	7	224	24	22	14	30	314	86
14. Gastonia, Loray	1					1	30					30	
15. Gastonia, Flint-Groves	1				1	2	40			14		54	
16. Gastonia, Marietta Street	1					1	20					20	
17. Gastonia, Temple													
18. Hardin													
19. Hickory Grove													
20. High Shoals													
21. Hull's Grove													
22. Long Creek Mem.													
23. Lowell, First	1				1	2	21				29	50	
24. McAdenville	1	1	2		1	5	62	22	68		18	170	
25. Mountain Side													
26. Mountain View													
27. Mount Holly, First	1		2		1	4	9		17		12	38	
28. Mount Beulah	1	1	2	1	1	6	111	12	48	10	15	196	51
29. Mount Zion													
30. Ranlo	1		1			2	12		20			32	
31. Sandy Plains													
32. Shady Grove													
33. Tuckaseege													
34. Webb's Chapel													
35. Woodlawn	1				1	2	20				50	70	
TOTAL	22	9	16	8	14	69	827	183	301	73	296	1,680	204

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HISTORICAL TABLE

Year	Where Held	Preacher	Moderator	Clerk
1919	Gastonia, First	D. F. Putnam	H. B. Moore	David P. Dellinger
1920	Long Creek Memorial	T. H. King	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1921	Cherryville	T. M. Kester	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1922	Cramerton	T. M. Kester	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1923	Loray, Gastonia	E. C. Andrews	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1924	Mount Zion	J. O. Fulbright	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1925	Alexis	W. T. Baucom	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1926	Flint-Groves	O. W. Triplett	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1927	Hickory Grove	J. J. Beach	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1928	Gastonia, Marietta St.	T. L. Cashwell	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1929	Mount Holly	Dr. B. A. Bowers	R. G. Mace	M. O. Thornburg
1930	Bessemer City	R. A. Kelly	R. G. Mace	M. O. Thornburg
1931	Lowell, First	B. F. Austin	R. G. Mace	J. A. Wilkins
1932	Belmont, East	F. M. Huggins	R. G. Mace	J. A. Wilkins
1933	McAdenville	W. G. Camp	R. G. Mace	J. A. Wilkins
1934	Hu'l's Grove	David E. Bobbitt	R. G. Mace	W. L. Walters

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Standing Committees—None.

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The Association does not have within its bounds any Baptist School, Hospital, Encampment or Orphanage.

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MOTTO

Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God. Col. 4:12.
(Adopted at the organization of the Association, November 4, 1919).

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the following from the choir of Loray Baptist Church is Gastonia: Pauline Settlemyer, Viola Bolch, Monnie Peeler, Pearl Gardner, Alberta Whitlow, Azzaleen Davis, Worley Griffin, Margaret Moss, Clyde Moss, Edith Morrow, R. C. Gilbert, Jr., Winston Crawford, D. L. Redding, Margaret Styers, Mrs. J. P. McCann, Lula Blanton, Lintine Kinslaw, Kate Stroupe, Mrs. Mae Hulsey, B. H. Moss, Director.

Record of Proceedings

OF THE

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

BRUINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Stanley, N. C.

FIRST DAY

Wednesday, October 23, 1935, 9:30 A. M.

1. The Seventeenth Annual Session of the Gaston County Baptist Association was called to order at 9:30 A. M. by the Moderator, Dr. J. W. Whitley. The Association was led in song, "How Firm a Foundation" by R. A. Kelly, and prayer by T. H. Roach.

2. The devotional was conducted by W. G. Camp, who read the eightieth division of the Psalms and made comments thereon. Prayer by R. A. Kelly.

3. The Moderator appoints the following enrollment committee: J. A. Hudson, Chairman; A. V. Ledford; George W. Davis.

4. A motion was made by D. C. Wesson, seconded by B. F. Austin, that the program submitted by the Committee on Order of Business be the program for this session. Motion passed.

5. Dr. C. E. Phillips, pastor of the Long Creek Memorial Baptist Church, the oldest Baptist Church in this section of North Carolina, in a very fitting manner presented the Moderator of the Association with a gavel made of cedar-wood which grew on the lot where the original Long Creek Baptist Church stood. The gavel was accepted by the Moderator for the Association.

6. R. A. Kelly read the reports on Religious Literature. Motion to adopt the report by C. J. Black. The report was discussed by C. A. Upchurch, representative of the Biblical Recorder. The report was adopted.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

"If we do not read, we do not know;
If we do not know, we do not care;
If we do not care, we do not give;
If we do not give, we do not help;
If we do not help, we do not save;"

'Sometimes I wonder at our Boptist people supporting our denominational work as well as they do, when they know so little about it. We would deeply resent it of some one were to call us an ignorant denomination, and yet—we are ignorant in regard to our denominational work." For us to be ignorant is very unfortunate; for us to remain ignorant is highly disgraceful.

The attractiveness and power of the printed page has been earned by the forces of unrighteousness; as a result there is a steady flow of bad and indifferent literature that is flooding the nation, and we who are interested in the salvation of the world from sin should see to it that good things are given the people to read. The best literature that can be provided is that that is definitely Christian.

If Baptists are to live and grow then our people must read books that will feed their souls; ignorance, error, and disaster travel together, and our people must be taught that if they are ever to be free they must know the truth.

The Bible, the blessed revealed Word of God, is still the best seller; it is being published and sold in larger quantities today than ever before, and yet our task is a tremendous one in trying to get people to really study it. All professing Christians should read and study it daily, and should do everything possible to cause others to love it. In addition to the Bible, Southern Baptists have a large number of publications that are rendering a great service and should be read by all who would be well-informed Christians. There are 16 Baptist State papers, among them our own "Biblical Recorder." Home and Foreign Fields," "World Comrades," "The Window," "In Royal Service," etc. are essential if we would keep informed about missions, and the "Biblical Recorder" is giving invaluable information each week along this line, as well as covering the

various other items in our great Co-Operative Program. We have the finest Sunday School and Baptist Training literature in the World, and our Baptist publishing houses are furnishing us a great collection of books that we cannot afford to let go unread. "Charity and Children" keeps us informed about one of the enterprises that is clasest to the hearts of Baptists, in addition to giving us much other valuable material. The Sunday School Board is making it possible for us to distribute without charge millions of valuable tracts that have been carefully prepared by many of our greatest leaders. The lack of space prevents the listing of all of the publications that we now have in our great Christian literature. All of our Christian organizations and homes should do everything possible to make the greatest use of all of this in giving God's revealed truth to the world.

Many people lament the fact that much bad literature is being given to the people. Instead of spending our time expressing our regrets about that, let us do all we can to give the world a never-ending flow of Christian religious literature. "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good."

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. KELLY

7. The reports on Missions submitted as follows:

State Missions, David P. Dellinger.
Home Missions, J. A. Hudson.
Foreign Missions, J. Clyde Yates.

STATE MISSIONS

The spirit and motive of Missions, Foreign, Home and State, are identical. It is difficult to understand why one should profess a belief in one and not the other. Within the State a distinction is made between Missions, Christian Education, and Benevolences, including the Orphanage and Hospital, whereas Foreign Missions, and with some limitations Home Missions, includes all of these objects. What then is included under the head of State Missions?

For a hundred years the objective of State Missions has been to win the people of North Carolina to Christ and then to the fellowship which the churches provide. A later objective has been to train and develop those who come into the churches, and now State Missions embraces the following activities:

(1) Missionary pastoral assistance in needy and strategic places. (2) Student work by aiding churches in educational centers. (3) Maintaining a Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. department. (4) Church Building in educational centers. (5) In ministering to the sick veterans in the Government Hospital at Oteen, N. C. (6) Giving the Gospel to the Indians in our midst, in Robeson and Swain Counties. (7) Work among the negroes of the state.

Furthering these objects, our State Board has empoyed one general missionary, M. O. Alexander, who spends his time holding revivals, attending general meetings, helping churches to form better fields, etc. But he cannot answer half the calls. Others are needed.

The great need of the hour is money to adequately carry on this work and a consecrated membership to give themselves and their means to reach lost men ond women in North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID P. DELLINGER

HOME MISSIONS

Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Executive Secretary of the Home Mission Board, said in his report to the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in Memphis, Tenn., "The work of the year has been signally blessed of the Lord. From every mission field there comes reports of gracious revivals and large ingatherings of the lost. In Cuba, distraught as it has been by the revolution, the favor of God upon the Gospel preached by our missionaries has been exceedingly gracious. The revival fires have burned high. On the border with our Mexican missionaries there has been a perennial revival, and the reports show that in every month in all the missions the waters have been troubled by the burial of new-born souls with Christ in baptism. Our missionaries report enlarged congregations in all their fields." We have now more than two hundred missionaries working in four hundred mission stations. These missionaries baptized more than three thousand people during last year. This alone is encouraging. And while this number at first seems large, it is really small compared to the large host of people with whom these missionaries labor. Their field is ten million Negroes; one million Mexicans; more than half a million French; a half million Italians; besides several million other foreigners within our own borders, and in Cuba, Mexico, and in Central America. "The harvest is truly plenlteous but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth lobarers into his harvest."

The board has also done wonderful work with its five Good Will Centers; two Rescue Missions; and the Seamen's Institute of Jacksonville, Fla. These institutions are helpful to re-build many men and women in the lower walks of life, and helping them to find real Life and Light in our Lord Jesus Christ.

The increased funds coming in now from the churches are helping the Board to live within its income, and at the same time to reduce its debt. The building and loan department is also improved, and is able to make some loans to churches for rebuilding or refinancing church structures.

The work of the Home Mission Board is generally encouraging and should challenge our most loyal support.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. HUDSON

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Someone has said, "The whole duty of the whole church is to preach the whole Gospel to the whole world." God loves the whole world, Jesus died for the whole world. He commanded us to go into the whole world. Foreign Missions is the effort of Christians to carry out the command of Christ to its utmost consummation.

For ninety years our Foreign Mission Board has been carrying on mision work with varying success. In spite of manifold difficulties the blessing of God has been upon the work and the workers. During the past year our 388 missionaries in eleven foreign countries report a net gain in church membership of 21,733.

During the past seven years there has been drastic retrenchment in our foreign mission work. But now the encouraging report comes that the tide has changed and that we are beginning to advance again. A substantial reduction has been made on the debt, and the bankers gave a reduction of one per cent on interest charges, which saved the Board $6,000.00.

Two things helped greatly to check this disastrous retreat. One was the launching of the Hundred Thousand Club, $77,308.69 having been realized from this source. The other is the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering of the Woman's Missionary Union. The objective of the women for this offering in 1934 was $150,000.00. Up to May of this year approximately $214,000.00 has been received.

With these facts before us, and with the additional news that on October 15th. our Foreign Mission Board appointed thirty-three new misionaries, the largest number since 1930, we should thank

God, take courage, and go forward in the discharge of our duty to make known the Gospel of Christ to the whole creation.

Respectfully submitted,

J. CLYDE YATES

Motion to adopt was made by B. F. Austin and was discussed by David P. Dellinger, J. A. Hudson, J. Clyde Yates, and by Rev. M. O. Alexander, State Missionary, and reports were adopted.

8. The Moderator appoints the following committees:

Place and Preacher—L. P. Barnett, J. P. Thomas, Bryan Hurd.

Order of Business for 1936—R. A. Kelly, W. G. Camp, B. F. Austin.

To Nominate the Executive Committee—Dr. E. V. Hudson, L. A. Barbee, A Froneberger.

On Credentials of Churches Seeking Membership in the Body—T. L. Cashwell, D. E. Bobbitt, C. E. Phillips.

9. The following visitors were recognized: Rev. Zeb V. Caudle, Charlotte; Rev. W. W. Rimmer, of Cornelius; Rev. J. A. Snow and son, of Wingate Junior College; Rev. C. L. Taylor, of the Sandy Run Association.

10. The Association joined in singing, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

11. Rev. P. A. Hicks, Pastor of East Belmont Baptist Church, delivered the annual sermon, reading Matthew 28:16-20, calling on J. A. Hudson to lead in prayer. Brother Hicks took as his text Matthew 4:19, "And He said unto them, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." The subject of his sermon was, "Adventures With the Risen Lord." The Association adjourned for dinner with prayer by Brother Hicks.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON—1:15

12. Song, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

13. The devotion was led by Rev. George W. Davis, who read the thirty-seventh division of the Psalms. Prayer by C. J. Black.

14. The Orphanage report was read by L. P. Barnett. Motion to adopt by C. J. Black. The report was discussed by Mr. I. G. Grier, Superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina, who brought a splendid report on our Orphanage Work. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

Since the first child was received into our Baptist Orphanage, around four thousand boys and girls have been aided and given a chance to succeed in life. The orphanage was at first sponsored by the North Carolina Baptist Orphanage Association, but was later adopted by the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. In 1928 the Convention changed the name from Thomasville Baptist Orphanage to Mills Home in honor of its founder J. H. Mills. The Board of Trustees at its last meeting recommended that the convention adopt the name Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina.

The Orphanage is caring for around 500 children at Mills Home and around 150 at the Kennedy Home. In addition to these, Close to 300 children living in their own homes with their own mothers are being aided through our Mother's aid department. Thus the total number of children cared for is above 800. These children are normal children, coming mostly from good parentage, being driven by misfortune to seek a refuge in the hearts of North Carolina Baptists. They are given the very best of medical care, a good education, and have access to and receive the benefits of a splendid church and a Spirit-filled Pastor. They are also taught to work, and leave the orphanage in a position to do something for themselves and for society at large.

The chief support of the Orphanage comes from the Sunday School collection, Thanksgiving Offering, Receipts from Charity and Children, and the profit from the printing department. Therefore, the committee recommends:

1. That each and every Sunday School send collection of at least one Sunday in each month to the orphanage, and supplement this with special offering on Thanksgiving.

2. That each and every Sunday School take enough copies of "Charity and Children" to place one in the home of all the leading members of the church.

3. That Churches needing printing work done patronize the printing department which does good work and guarantees satisfaction at reasonable prices.

Respectfully submitted,
L .P. Barnette

15. The report on Our Schools was read by Dr. B. A. Bowers, who made the motion to adopt the report. This was discussed by A. C. Lovelace, President of Boiling Springs Junior College. The report was adopted.

OUR SCHOOLS

The state school system of North Carolina has been so enlarged and is so effective that it is possible, now, for practically every boy and girl in the state to get a high school education. In addition to this the doors of the Universities are open to all who really desire higher learning. Consequently many people are saying that there is no further need for Christian schools, but the reverse is true for the state cannot teach religion, only those who have it can teach it. Our churches have a great responsibility here for this is our distinctive field.

We need to keep our Baptist schools open and we should man them with men and women who have a real Christian experience, this experience added to scholarship will pave the way for boys and girls graduating from these institutions, to take their place in their chosen professions and become real home, church and nation builders. The men and women teaching in our Baptist Schools should have a vital connection with some Baptist church. Their loyalty to the Lord should lead them to attend the services of the church and to help in the promotion and conduct of the church's program. They ought to be a good example of what the students should be when school is over and they are settled in life.

We are glad to see that the enrollment of all of our schools has increased. This adds to our responsibility, and is a great challenge to us; it calls for our moral and financial support. We urge that all of our people pray for the spiritual welfare of our schools.

We appeal to the trustees of all our baptist institutions of learning to see to it that the leadership in these institutions is the best that Christian scholarship can supply.

Respectfully submitted,
B. A. BOWERS

16. Song, "Stand Up For Jesus."

17. The Committee on Enrollment made report for the morning session. There was enrolled 165 delegates and 63 visitors.

18. Woman's Work was presented by Mrs. C. P. Nanny. There was no writen report of this work, but it was presented in a very unique manner, each department of the work having one person to present it, as follows:

Mrs. W. M. Farris, Sunbeams.
Mrs. W. N. Williams, Girl's Auxiliary.
D. E. Bobbitt, Royal Ambassadors.
Mrs. T. L. Cashwell, Young Woman's Auxiliary.
Mrs. W. E. Blanton, Woman's Missionary Union.

19. Rev. T. L. Cashwell, for Committee on Reception of New Churches, makes report that there are two churches recently organized within the bounds of our Association who are asking for membership in the Body, namely: Mission Baptist Church, which was organized on May 5, 1935, in the North Central section of Gastonia; and Victory Baptist Church, which was organized October 20th, 1935, being in South Gastonia. The Association voted to accept these churches into its membership, and representatives were called forward and given the right hand of fellowship by the Moderator.

20. W. A. Hoffman, for the Committee on Nomination of Officers, made report as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Moderator, J. W. Whitley; Vice-Moderator, P. A. Hicks; Clerk and Treasurer, W. L. Walters; Director of B. T. U. Clyde Moody; Director of Sunday Schools, Bryan Hurd; Orphanage Representative, J. P. Thomas; Hospital Representative, Dr. B. G. Weathers; Director of Evangelism, T. L. Cashwell; Director of Stewardship, E. V. Hudson; Director of W. M. U., Mrs. C. P. Nanny.

21. L. P. Barnett, for the Committee on Place and Preacher, made report as follows:

REPORT ON PLACE AND PREACHER

Place for 1936 Session—Ranlo.
Preacher—J. Clyde Yates.

The report was adopted.

22. Miscellaneous announcements.

23. Benediction by W. W. Rimmer.

WEDNESDAY EVENING—7:30

24. Song, "All Hail the Power."

25. Prayer by Rev. J. A. Snow.

26. Mr. B. H. Moss, and choir of Loray Baptist Church, rendered a half hour of church music that was very helpful. All were delighted and made to realize the value of good music to worship.

27. The report on Sunday School Work was read by Bryan Hurd. Motion made by J. P. Thomas that the report be adopted. The report was ably discussed by R. A. Kelly and was adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

In the 35 churches of the Gaston County Baptist Association, we have 35 well organized and functioning Sunday Schools. The enrollment of our Sunday school exceeds the church enrollment by 791, thus giving the Sunday schools an enrollment of 13,032.

Our Sunday school organization reports 25 graded schools, with 5 of these reaching the Standard of Excellence this year, 551 of the teachers hold Normal Diplomas, and 4 churches report a Daily Vacation Bible school.

A few inspiring facts of our Sunday Schools of today, compared with the reports of other years, makes us realize the helpfulness of a well organized and graded Sunday school, and we, by making these comparisons, feel that the Sunday School Association has been of some benefit, and thru this medium many of our churches have received valuable aid and instruction.

The outlook for our Sunday Schools is very promising. The developments of the modern Sunday School organization and its requirments has brought the Sunday school into closer relation with the church. No. organization offers the church and the pastor greater assistance in Kingdom work, than does the Sunday School.

Our Sunday School Association has not held their annual convention this year, but it has hoped this meeting will be held within the near future; Mr. D. L.Friday, Associational S. S. Superintendent has served in this position since our last meeting in October, 1934. With him are the following officers:

R. L. Reid, Lowell, N. C., Secretary and Treasurer; Edd Powell, Gastonia, N. C., Chorister; Alberta Whitlow, Gastonia, N .C., Pianist.

Group Superintendents: Y. E. Springfield, Cramerton, N. C.; D. M. McSwain, Gastonia, N. C.; T. S. Summy, Dallas, N. C.; Kathleen Dobbins, Bessemer City, N. C.

Be it resolved that we continue to give our strictest attention to our Sunday schools, and to the teaching of God's Word.

Respectfully submitted,

BRYAN HURD

28. The report of the B. T. U. was read by Clyde Moody. Motion by W. A. Hoffman that the report be adopted. A helpful message was brought on the B. T. U. by Rev. J. A. Snow, of Wingate Junior College, and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON BAPTIST TRAINING UNIONS

Work of the Baptist Training Union throughout the Association is very encouraging at the present time. The infantile paralysis scare hindered our work to a great extent during the summer, but I feel that we have almost regained the ground lost at that time, and prospects for the new year are very encouraging. Reports from the various districts are very optimistic, some reporting that the work is moving more smoothly now than at any time in the past.

Several churches are unorganized at present, but in most of these there are people who are interested in this work, and we shall use them in re-organizing unions. Regular quarterly meetings have been held in the various districts, with excellent programs and large attendance.

The Association Convention was held on Sunday afternoon, June 2, at Long Creek Church. This meeting was marked by the large attendance and the fine spirit prevailing. Rev. Hoyt Blackwell, professor of Bible, of Mars Hill College, brought a wonderful inspirational message, using as his subject "That Other Side of the Christian Life." An interesting sword drill was presented by Juniors from the First Baptist Church, Gastonia, N. C.

Officers for the year are as follows: President, Miss Ava Stroupe, Cherryville, N. C.; vice-president, M. R. Thomas, Gastonia, N. C.; secretary-treasurer, Miss Hildegarde Barnes, Mount Holly, N. C.; junior-intermediate leader, Mrs. Doyt Ledford, Gastonia, N. C.; chorister, Leslie Bookout, Ranlo, N. C.; pianist, Mrs. D. L. Friday, Dallas, N. C.

District vice-presidents: Belmont-Mount Holly district, L. M. Laye, Belmont, N. C.; Cherryville district, Floyd Noblett, Bessemer City, N. C.; Dallas district, D. L. Friday, Dallas, N. C.; Gastonia district, Cecil Weathers, Gastonia, N. C.

Feeling that there is a wonderful field of service in training our older people, I think we should place special emphasis upon the organization of Baptist Adult Unions and the develoument of that phase of the work in our churches during this year.

May we be willing and anxious to follow the guidance of our Master is He leads us into greater heights in His training program.

Respectfully submitted,

CLYDE B. MOODY, Director

29. Motion was made by Dr. Bowers that the meeting adjourn.

30. Benediction by Dr. Bowers.

THURSDAY MORNING—9:30

31. Song, "My Faith Looks Up To Thee."

32. The devotional was conducted by T. H. Roach, reading from Luke, Second Chapter, and based his remarks on the text, "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business." His subject was "The Greatest Business in the World."

33. On motion of David P. Dellinger, seconded by B. F. Austin, the reading of the minutes of Wednesday's session was dispensed with.

34. Dr. E. V. Hudson read the report on Ministerial Relief. Motion to adopt by C. J. Black. The report was discussed by E. V. Hudson, J. W. Whitley and J. A. Hudson and was adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The Baptist denomination is seeking through the Relief and Annuity Board to provide funds to care for the aged and wornout preachers and their widows; and to create on annuity for all ministers when they have reached the age of 65. But the churches and pastors seem slow to enter into the plans which have been made to do this noble work.

The relief work of the Board depends in a large measure upon the success of the Co-Operative Program. The people will support this worthy cause just about in proportion to the information and inspiration they have on the work the Board is doing. Hence, there is more information and inspiration from the pulpits.

The service Annuity Plan was inaugurated a few years ago to provide for all ministers a sufficient income to live on when they reach 65 years of age. The plan calls for the pastor to pay 2 1-2 per cent of his salary, and the church he serves to put in 8 per cent of the salary they pay him. This 10 1-2 per cent together with the Board's help will create an annuity for the pastor at 65 to enable him to have an income sufficient to live on comfortably.

Some facts about the Relief and Annuity Board, and the work it is seeking to do: The assets are right at four and a quarter million dollars. Last year the income from the Board's investment was $620,736. The funds were managed in the most business like way, and all obligations were met with regularity. The number of old ministers, their wives and helpless children cared for last year was 1215. They received an average of about $10.00 per month. There are 1,480 members in the old annuity plan; and only 500 members in the Service Annuity Plan.

The Federal Government is making provision for all her old and dependent citizens. The Security Act and the Pension Act shows how much concerned the government is about the welfare of her aged citizens. The plan calls for $30.00 per month for each old person. Surely the Baptist people ought to do more for the old preachers who have given their all for the churches, and for the building up of the kingdom, and that many times without money and without price. We cannot afford to do less than the government. Shall we wait and delay until these old servants of the Cross are forced to apply to the government to care for them in their helpless condition? That would be a shame on the honor the the Baptist denomination.

Respectfully submitted,

E. V. HUDSON

35. Dr. R. B. Groves, Hospital Representative of the Association, read the report on Hospitals. B. F. Austin moved the adoption of the report and it was discussed by Dr. Groves and adopted.

REPORT ON HOSPITALS

The Baptist Hospital is a general hospital established in 1922, with 92 beds and 16 bassinetts; and is housed in a modern fire-proff building. Up until this year the hospital, together with its school for nurses has been on the accepted list of grade-A hospitals of the American College of Surgeons. The American College of Surgeons, in their very careful survey this year, has seen fit to leave this hospital, together with many others of this state, off their accredited list.

Since the opening of the Baptist Hospital, May 28, 1923, to July 15, 1935, 29,000 patients have entered for treatment. During the first half of the year of 1935, 1760 patients have been treated. At this rate the hospital will have 3,520 patients this year of 31,260 patient days. Of this number 11,882 will will be full pay, 9,704 part pay, and 9,674 free. The hospital has had an average of 86 patients per day for the last six months, and is now averaging 300 per month; almost one-half of the patient days are service, or free days.

From the foregoing it is apparent that it costs a large amount of money to care for this increasing number of patients coming from practically every section of the state. The hospital depends very largely on the offering of the churches and Sunday Schools to care for these hundreds and hundreds of patients, who cannot pay for their own treatment.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the state, in addition to their cash contribution, have sent the hospital during the first six months of the year 1935, 3635 articles of linen, consisting of sheets, spreads, pillow cases, towels and so on; these are much needed and much appreciated.

Mother's Day in the past has been designated by the denomination as Hospital Day. If all churches would only put on a well planned Mother's Day Program in the future, enough money could be provided to amply care for this vast host of poverty stricken people who cannot provide this service for themselves.

We have the privilege this morning of having with us the Superintendent of the hospital, and I recommend that he be given the remainder of the time to address the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT GROVES

36. The Moderator called Dr. B. A. Bowers to the chair to preside during the remainder of the morning session.

37. The report on Evangelism was read by T. L. Cashwell, Director of Evangelism. Motion to adopt the report was made and it was discussed in a very helpful manner by T. L. Cashwell and J. Clyde Yates. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

This Association ought to be and, we believe is, vitally interested in every phase of our denominational work. We appreciate fully the merit of each and every egency through which our great Baptist Zion seeks to extend God's Kingdom. As evidence of this we need merely to remind you of the luminous reports and inspiring messages so joyously received by this body during these sessions.

However it still remains an undisputable fact that there is no phase of Christian activity nearer to the heart of our blessed Saviour than evangelism. Every phase of our denominational work must look to evangelism for its source and culmination.

Jesus said, "I came to seek and save the lost." This same great Head of the church also said, "As the Father hath sent Me, even so send I you." It will be a sad day for our churches and people individually when, and if, we become so engrossed in financial programs, organizations, societies, boards and programs as to lose sight of our own personal responsibility as soulwinners. Alas! we can but wonder it we do not already find ourselves in such plight? Our records boast of more than 12,000 members in our churches, who contributed to all causes this year the magnificient sum of $100,000 plus. Glorious achievement, this! Yet we bow our heads in shame when we face the fact that at least 11,500 of these didn't lead a single soul to Jesus during the entire year.

Our Lord never intended that this sacred task and glorious privilege be committee to organizations and boards as such. Oh! that something might arouse us to the realization that we have not fulfilled our duty towards our fellowman, nor have we acquitten ourselves as individuals before God by simply contributing of our means to the support of boards and organizations with the hope and expectation that this will evangelize the world and save the lost.

"The great commission of our Lord sends an individual Christian to an individual sinner with a Gospel of an individual salva-

tion conditioned upon an individual faith in an individual saviour."

We regret to report that nothing has been done within our Association during the past year in the way of Associational Evangelism. However, we are happy that our report shows that the flame of evangelism in our churches, though not at white heat, is still alive.

Forty-nine meetings were held with an expenditure of $2,426.92, and resulted in 691 baptisms. We had a net gain of 81 in membership during the year. The smallness of this gain can be accounted for by the drastic revision made in some of the church rolls which resulted in a rather severe pruning. In our humble judgement this is indicative of health and spiritual recovery. Would that more of our churches do likewise.

We beg to offer the following recommendations:

First, that the pastors and churches cooperate with Associational efforts in arranging for meetings in outlying and strategic points adjacent to you.

Second, that during this Associational year each church set apart one week and endeavor to enlist every member in a study course in "Personal Evangelism."

Respectfully submitted,
T. L. CASHWELL, Supt.

38. Motion made by W. A. Hoffman that a copy of the report on Evangelism be sent to the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children and to our Baptist Schools. Motion passed.

39. T. L. Cashwell made a motion which was seconded by George W. Davis, that the Association go on record as favoring the Extraordinary Session of the Association which has been held for the past two years and that the same shall be held again next spring and that date, place and program be left in the hands of the Executive Committee. Motion was unamiously passed.

40. The following visitors were recognized: Mrs. George R. Grice, President of Woman's Work, South Fork Association; Mrs. John Hoover, Lincolnton, N. C.; Dr. Hoyt Blackwell, Mars Hill College; J. C. Hudson, of the Sandy Run Association.

41. Song, "My Times Are In My Hands."

42. Dr. J. W. Whitley, Moderator of the Association

preached the doctrinal sermon of the session. Scripture lesson and text. John 10:27-30. Subject, "Is Apostasy Taught In the Bible?" This was one of the most forceful messages heard at one of our Associational meetings and was greatly enjoyed by all. At the close of the message, without instrument, the congregation sang, "How Firm A Foundation." This was among the high spots of the meeting. Benediction by Dr. Whitley.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON—1:15

43. "Footsteps Of Jesus."

44. The devotion for the closing session was brought by B. F. Austin who based his talk on the text, "Ye are the light of he world," Matthew 5.14. He brought a very helpful message on this text.

45. Dr. Black, for the local church, asked for and was given the privilege of the floor to express appreciation of himself and his people to the Association for holding this session with them. He said the meeting and fellowship of the saints was being a blessing to all.

46. The report on Stewardship was read by the Director of Stewardship of the Association, M. L. Barnes and motion was made to adopt. The report was discussed by Brother Barnes and by Dr. E. V. Hudson, the incoming Chairman of this department of the work, and was adopted.

REPORT ON STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship i snot only necessary to increase the revenue so that the work may be enlarged, but it is necessary as a means to develop the membership into well rounded Christians. In order to develop full rounded Christian life, religious activity, devotional service, personal consecration and emotional expression are essential. Therefore the pledge card is so perpared that a member is not to asked to pledge only a certain part of his money, or income, but pledge himself to the task of kingdom work.

The work of the Promotion Committee is to help and stimulate the churches, not only in putting on a worthy every member canvass, but get the program of our Master before the people. A con-

ditional educational and enlistment campaign that will place a proper emphasis on stewardship and church finance throughout the year.

The plan calls for the election of a chairman by the Association and one member to be elected by each church. There has been an increase in gifts and a reduction in debts in all lines of our church activities.

Your committee recommends that each church endeavor to put on a week of stewardship training and that the book prepared by our Corresponding Secretary be used as a text.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. BARNES

47. In the absence of Mrs. E. V. Hudson, the report on the School of Missions was read by E. V. Hudson and discussed briefly. On motion the report was adopted.

REPORT ON SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

There is no greater need in our churches than the missionary spirit. There is no better way to create that spirit than by putting on a real School of Missions. Every church could do itself and the kingdom a lasting good by arranging for a definite mission effort sometime this year. The most essential elements necessary to a successful mission school are: The Time, the Books, and the Teachers. All these can be had by very little effort.

The Woman's Missionary Society, with its auxiliaries, has been busy over the years studying missions. Their efforts in mission study have produced wonderful results. It is time that the older men, and the young men, should busy themselves in the study of the greatest task Jesus ever gave us. Somehow our men must be enlisted in this great enterprise of missions. Our churches can never reach their great possibilities until every member is informed and inspired by the study of our missionary fields.

Wherever, in our churches, schools of missions have been tried they have proved to be very successful. It has been the testimony of all those who have put them on that missionary activity and interest have been revived. It is hoped that all our churches will during this year endeavor to put on some special effort, for in so doing the church will be blessed, and the kingdom spread a little further.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. V. HUDSON

48. The report on Obituaries was read by Hubert Huggins and motion made by C. J. Black that the report, as read, be placed in the minutes and that the usual pages be set aside for the names of our dead. Motion carried.

IN HONOR OF OUR DEAD

To those whom death has separated from our fellowship may we pay our respect.

In honoring the memories of our fellow laborers who have preceeded us to the reward of faithfullness we could employ no better means than the recognition of their labors and works which follow them. How often are we reminded of some faithful one who no longer labors with us in person; and that rememberance is brought to mind because of some seed of righteousness sown in fertile ground and only now germinating into fervent life into God's harvest field; or a talent rightly used and now it pays its dividend in Spiritual Benediction upon the church, the community and the world at large.

The influence of our faithful dead has no sunset; no clouds can hide it; no rocks can crush it; no floods can drown it, and no fires can consume it. That influence continues and shall continue until our Heavenly Father calls us Home to be re-united in heavenly Glory.

So let us honor our dead by holding in precious memory the influence of their labors in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

HUBERT HUGGINS

49. The report on Temperance was read by F. M. Huggins and motion made to adopt. It was discussed by Mr. Huggins and was unamiously adopted.

TEMPERANCE

Our churches are confronted today with an unprecedented moral slump. Drunkenness, immortality and crime are to be found in every community. Slot machines and other gambling devices abound. The majority of the moving picture shows and the carnivals about the county are rotten. Lax social relations and sextual irregularities are common. Added to these conditions, and the pre-conditioning cause of this moral breakdown, is that of strong drink. We are told that the repeal of the Eighteenth Ammendment would contribute to sobriety, but the reverse is true. Secretary Nelson of the

Keely Institute says that patients in this institution have increased 55 per cent since the repeal. Court records show that arrests for drunkenness increased 113 per cent in twelve principal southern cities after the repeal. Division of Vital Statistics shows that, after the repeal, deaths from auto wrecks increased 77 per cent in the United States. Our own Congressman, R. L. Doughton says, "The nation after the repeal is a bootlegger's paradise." Court records also show that immediately after beer was legalized in Washington, D. C., 1933 arrests for drunkenness incresed 20 per cent the first month, 35 per cent the fourth month, and 63 per cent the seventh, above the previous year. It is also on record that five months after beer was legalized in New York City, drunks at hospitals had increased 50 per cent. The ever-increasing number of wrecks on the highways of our state are directly attributed to drunken drivers. More facts and figures could be cited, but this is enough for this brief report.

The question arises: What are we going to do about it? There are three things that we should do: (1) Preach a higher ethical standard of living based on the "Sermon On the Mount" and the "Ten Commandments": (2) Teach the evil effects—physically, mentally, morally of strong drink, in our Sunday School and encourage same to be taught in the state schools; and (3) To exercise our right of franchise in voting for men for public office who are the uncompromising foes of the liquor business.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. HUGGINS

50. T. L. Cashwell submitted the following resolutions: B. F. Austin moves and E. V. Hudson seconds the motion that the resolution be adopted and that copies of same be forwarded by the Clerk to the Solicitor, Sheriff, the Officials of the Gaston County Fair, the American Legion and the County Commissioners. The Association, by rising unanimous vote, adopted the resolution.

RESOLUTION

We, the members of the Gaston County Baptist Association, in session assembled and representing 37 churches composed of more than 12,000 citizens of Gaston County, do hereby voice as our opinion the Gaston County Fair, as recently operated, wielded a very unwholesome and detrimental influence in our community.

That we do most vigorously protest the recurrence of such a condition.

That we deplore the indifference and laxness of our high sheriff and his associate officers, whose sworn duty it is to enforce the law against gambling as well as all law, in allowing such devices to operate and conditions to exist without any apparent effort to restrain them.

We further wish to commend most heartily the work of the Gastonia Gazette in exposing to the public eye the unsavory condition of our local court. We hereby pledge our support and cooperation, and we earnestly petition all the God-fearing law-abiding citizens of this county to join with the Gazette and us in exercising our prerogative as citizens in seeing to it that this deplorable condition is rectified speedily.

The Clerk of this Association is instructed to prepare and present copies of these resolutions to the sheriff and commissioners of this county. A copy each to the solicitor of our court, the Gaston County Fair Association, the local post of the American Legion and a copy to the Gastonia Gazette for publication.

51. W. L. Walters, Treasurer submitted his report for the year. On motion of George W. Davis, second by C. J. Black, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER

I submit to you herewith my report as Treasurer for the year beginning October 1, 1934 and ending September 30th, 1935.

Receipts

Received from former Treasurer	$ 16.63
T. L. Cashwell—Ragan Mill Meeting	5.17
T. L. Cashwell—Modena Extension Meeting	1.88
T. L. Cashwell—Priscilla Meeting	.53
From W. M. U.—Minute Fund	22.50
	$46.71
From the churches for Minute Fund	171.90
	$218.62

Disbursements

Mount Holly News—For Minutes	$180.00
W. L. Walters—Clerk	25.00

W. L. Walters—Expense 10.00

$215.00

Balance on hand 3.62

$218.62

Respectfully submitted,
W. L. WALTERS

52. Dr. Whitley reported for the Executive Committee, addressing the Clerk as Moderator to expedite matters. Three features of the work of the Executive Committee were presented as being helpful to the work generally, as follows: A monthly study in the Pastors Conference was one phase of the work; the Extraordinary Session of the Association, which is held in the spring and which transacts no business but makes study of our spiritual problems; and the assistance of the organizing new churches in strotegic points.

53. R. A. Kelley, for the Committee on Order of Business for 1936 session, submitted the following which was adopted by unanimous vote:

ORDER OF BUSINESS
For
Eighteenth Annual Session
Of The
GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
To Be Held With
RANLO BAPTIST CHURCH
Gastonia, N. C.

Wednesday Morning

9:30—Worship ..... G. G. Bowen
9:45—Enrollment
9:50-10:05—Religious Literature ..... R. E. Dry
10:05-10:20—Ministerial Relief ..... W. J. Francis
10:20-10:35—Temperance ..... W. A. Hoffman
10:35-11:00—Evangelism ..... T. L. Cashwell
11:00-11:10—Announcements.
11:10—Sermon ..... J. Clyde Yates
12:10—Dinner.

Wednesday Afternoon

1:10—Worship .....Lawrence Roberts
1:25—Orphanage .....J. P. Thomas
1:50—Our Schools .....D. E. Bobbitt
2:15—Woman's Work .....Mrs. C. P. Nanny
2:40—Sunday Schools .....Bryan Hurd
3:05—Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

Wednesday Evening

7:30—Church Music .....Leslie Bookout
7:45—Baptist Training Unions .....Clyde Moody
8:00—Ranlo Church Dedication.

Thursday Morning

9:30—Worship .....D. C. Wesson
9:45-10:50—Missions:
State .....C. E. Phillips
Home .....L. P. Barnette
Foreign .....B. A. Bowers
10:50-11:00—Miscellaneous and Announcements.
11:00—Doctrinal Serman .....J. A. Hudson
12:00—Dinner.

Thursday Afternoon

1:15—Worship .....M. P. Rhyne
1:30—Stewardship .....E. V. Hudson
2:00—School of Missions .....Mrs. E. V. Hudson
2:15—Obituaries .....George W. Davis
2:30—Hospitals .....Dr. B. G. Weathers
2:45—Treasurer's Report.
2:30—Report of Executive Committee.
3:00—Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,
R. A. KELLY
B. F. AUSTIN
W. G. CAMP
Committee

54. E. V. Hudson for the Committee on Nomination of Executive Committee made the following report which was adopted by unanimous vote:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dr. J. W. Whitley, Moderator; Bryan Hurd, Director of Sun-

day Schools; Clyde Moody, Director of B. T. U.; Mrs. C. P. Nanny, President of W. M. U.; Dr. B. G. Weathers, Hospital Representative; T. L. Cashwell, Director of Evangelism; E. V. Hudson, Director of Stewardship.

Associational Representatives by districts: David E. Bobbitt, Cherryville; Hubert Huggins, Dallas; Dr. B. A. Bowers, Gastonia; R. A. Kelly, Belmont.

55. E. V. Hudson made motion that the Clerk of the Association be the ex-officio clerk of the Executive Committee and sit with that body in such capacity. Adopted.

56. B. F. Austin offered the following resolution and moved its adoption. The motion to adopt was seconded by T. L. Cashwell and the resolution was unanimously adopted.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, we have had a most glorious session of the Gaston County Baptist Association, and

Whereas, much of the credit for this is due to the efforts of our beloved Dr. C. J. Black, and the good people of Bruington Baptist Church and the Stanley community.

Therefore be it resolved: That the thanks and appreciation of this body are due and are hereby tendered to the pastor and his people for their kind hospitality and to the women of this church and community for the wonderful meals served on this occasion. These kindly acts will long be remembered by all.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. AUSTIN

57. The Moderator of the Association expressed to the body his appreciation for the very fine cooperation of delegates in carrying on the work during the session.

58. Motion to adjourn the 1935 session of the Gaston County Baptist Association was made by Dr. C. J. Black and seconded by Dr. E. V. Hudson, and carried.

59. Benediction by W. L. Walters.

J. W. WHITLEY,
Moderator.

W. L. WALTERS,
Clerk.

In Memoriam

ALEXIS:
Rev. W. F. Huggins

BELMONT, EAST:
Mrs. J. Z. McClure
Mr. Victor Helton
Ed. Austin

BELMONT, FIRST:
Mrs. C. L. Bumgardner
Mr. L. B. Bass
Mrs. R. M. Gaston
Mrs. L. C. Chaney

CHERRYVILLE:
Mr. H. Lee Dellinger
Mr. Robert B. Hicks
Mr. Ed. Hayes
Mrs. Emma Scism
Mrs. G. J. Bennett, Jr.

CRAMERTON:
Mrs. L. T. Ballentine
Mrs. Gertrude Emery
Mrs. Eula Christine
Mr. Carrol Bland

DALLAS:
Mrs. Lou Moore
Mr. E. O. Webb
Mrs. J. R. Aderholt

GASTONIA, CALVARY:
Mr. Boyd Stover
Mr. F. C. Patrick, Sr.

GASTONIA, EAST:
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Mrs. I. E. Spargo
Mrs. E. V. Harmon
Mrs. Nancy Handsell
Mrs. J. S. Handcock

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Mr. Foy Parrish

GASTONIA, FLINT-GROVES:
Mr. J. L. Lanier
Mr. Dan C. Long
Mr. Robert Bazzle
Mrs. W. R. Williams

GASTONIA, LORAY:
Mrs. F. H. Rector
Mrs. Florence A. Lefevers
Mrs. W. B. Lowe
Miss Pauline Redding
Mr. J. B. Hollifield
Mr. Pinkney Black
Mr. Giles Hovis

In Memoriam

GASTONIA, MARIETTA ST.:
Mr. Thomas Royster
Mrs. Clyde Price

GASTONIA, TEMPLE:
Mr. Chares Barber

HARDIN:
Mr. Forney Hedspeth
Mrs. H. W. Baucom
(Pastor's wife)

HICKORY GROVE:
Mrs. Charles Lineberger
Mrs. John Willard

HIGH SHOALS:
Deacon, Lee Smith
Deacon, J. T. Lackey
(Church Clerk)

HULL'S GROVE:
Mr. C. O. Lackey
Mrs. Mirtie Miller

LOWELL, FIRST:
Mrs. M. A. Lay
Mrs. M. E. Lay
Mrs. Laura Perkins

MOUNT BEULAH:
Mr. M. F. Payseur

MOUNT HOLLY, FIRST:
Mrs. J. S. Underwood
Mrs. Dunn

MOUNT ZION:
Mrs. Worth Anthony
Mr. J. C. Dellinger

McADENVILLE:
Mrs. T. L. Austin
Mrs. Lillie Gates
Mrs. M. A. Harwell
Mrs. Jessie Spargo
Mrs. Ary Rumfelt
Mrs. Mary Jane Poole
Mrs. Laura Wagstaff
Mr. Hoyt Rumfelt

RANLO:
Mrs. Fred Bridges
Mrs. J. C. Welch

SANDY PLAINS:
Mrs. Margaret Cobb
Mr. O. G. Kee
Mr. Lawrence Paysour

SHADY GROVE:
Mrs. Susie Beam
Mr. D. R. Stroupe
(Church Clerk)

TUCKASEEGE:
Mr. H. M. Stowe

Constitution

Name

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Gaston County Baptist Association."

Object

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel (as we hold it) to the people within the bounds of the Association, and so co-operate with the Baptist State Convention.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall consist of the officers of the Association, pastors of the churches in the Association, and Messengers from the churches. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers and one additional messenger for every 100 members or fraction thereof over and above 200 members and also one additional messenger for every five thousand dollars or fraction thereof, contributed to the cause of the two conventions.

Officers

4. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator,, Vice-Moderator, a Treasurer and a Clerk, all of whom shall be elected each year by the Association at its Annual Meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The duties of the officers shall correspond to the duties of the same officers in like organizations, or as defined by the Association from time to time.

Boards and Committees

Article 5. The Association shall elect an Executive Committee each year whose duties shall be to look after having the Gospel preached in all parts of the Association, and to attend to all business of the Association between the sessions and to make such reports as they deem advisable at the Annual Meeting of the Association. The Association may appoint or elect such other Board or Committees from time to time as circumstances may require.

Time of Meeting

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually, on Wednesday after the Third Sunday in October. The Moderator may at the request of the Executive Committee change the time or the place of meeting of this Association when it may be deemed by him not expedient to meet at the time or place appointed.

Vacancies

Article 7. The Moderator in concurrence with the Executive Committee may fill any vacancy occurring between meetings of the Association.

Amendments

Article 8. This Constitution may be amended at any regular session of the Association by a two-third vote of the number enrolled on the first day of the Association.

By-Laws

No By-Laws Adopted: The Association follows Kerfoot's Rules of Order for Parliamentary authority.

Church Directory

ORDAINED MINISTERS IN THE ASSOCIATION

Name and Address	Church of Which a Member	Ministerial Work
W. E. Abrams	Tuckaseege	Pastor
B. F. Austin, East Gastonia, N. C.	Flint-Groves	Pastor
P. S. Barber, Gastonia, N. C.	Temple	Member
M. L. Barnes, Mount Holly, N. C.	Mount Holly, First	Pastor
Lowell P. Barnett, Lowell, N. C.	Lowell, First	Pastor
H. W. Baucom, Victory Sta., Gastonia	Hardin	Patsor
C. J. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.	Bessemer City	Pastor
David E. Bobbitt, Cherryville, N. C.	Cherryville	Pastor
G. G. Bowen, Rt. 2, Gastonia, N. C.	Woodlawn	Pastor
B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia, First	Pastor
C. E. Brooks, Gastonia, N. C.	Mission	Pastor
E. D. Brown, Hardin, N. C.	Hardin	Member
W. G. Camp, Cherryville, N. C.	Shady Grove	Pastor
T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia, N. C.	East Gastonia	Pastor
J. E. Chronister, Stanley, N. C.	Bruington	Member
J. L. Cloninger, Rt. 2, Gastonia, N. C.	Mountain Side	Member
E. S. Grice, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia, N. C	Ranlo	Member
R. F. Harrill, Gastonia, N. C.	Calvary	Member
P. A. Hicks, Belmont, N. C.	East Belmont	Pastor
W. Arthur Hoffman, W. Gastonia, N. C	Temple	Pastor
E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.	Cramerton	Pastor
J. A. Hudson, Gastonia, N. C.	Calvary	Pastor
F. M. Huggins, Belmont, N. C.	Center View	Pastor
Hubert Huggins, Dallas, N. C.	Dallas	Pastor
G. C. Ivery, W. Gastonia, N. C.	Loray	Member
N. L. Lancaster, Gastonia, N. C.	Gastonia, First	Member
A. V. Ledford, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia,	Ranlo	Member
C. A. Lineberger, Alexis, N. C.	Alexis	Member
B. F. Paganstecker, Kings, Mtn., N. C.	Mountain View	Member
C. E. Phillips, Dallas, N. C.	Long Creek Mem.	Pastor
L. G. Redding, Gastonia, N. C.	Loray	Member
M. P. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C.	Sandy Plains	Pastor
S. M. Stroupe, Alexis, N. C.	Alexis	Pastor
A. E. Teague, Rt. 2, Gastonia, N. C.	Lowell, First	Member
J. Lester Thomas, Mt. Holly, N. C.	Mount Holly, First	Member
Lee Wacaster, Cherryville, N. C.	Mount Zion	Member

W. L. Walters, Gastonia, N. C.....Ranlo .....Pastor
D. C. Wesson, McAdenville, N. C.....McAdenville .....Pastor
J. W. Whitley, Gastonia, N. C.....Loray .....Pastor
G. D. Wilkinson, Lowell, N. C.....Lowell, First .....Member
J. Clyde Yates, Bessemer City, N. C...Bessemer City .....Pastor

ORDAINED MINISTERS LIVING OUTSIDE WHO ARE PASTORS IN THIS ASSOCIATION

Names and Addresses **Church of which Pastor**
A. L. Campbell, Lincolnton, N. C.....Hight Shoals and Webb's Chapel
Blanchard Horne, Kings Mountain, N. C.....Bethel
Johny Moss, Kings Mountain, N. C.....Mountain View
T. H. Roach, Lincolnton, N. C.....Hickory Grove
Lawrence Roberts, Shelby, N. C.....Mount Zion

ASSISTANT PASTORS OR EDUCATIONAL DIRECTORS

GASTONIA, FIRST—Miss Naoma Braswell, Educational Director, Gastonia, N. C.

RANLO—Mr. Leslie E. Bookout, Assistant Pastor, Ranlo Station, Gastonia, N. C.

Note—No other church in the Association lists Assistant Pastors or Educational Directors.

PASTORS

ALEXIS—S. M. Stroupe, Alexis, N. C.
BELMONT, EAST—P. A. Hicks, Belmont, N. C.
BELMONT, FIRST—R. A. Kelly, Belmont, N. C.
BESSEMER CITY—J. Clyde Yates, Bessemer City, N. C.
BETHEL—Blanchard Horne, Kings Mountain, N. C.
BRUINGTON—C. J. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.
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CHERRYVILLE—David E. Bobbitt, Cherryville, N. C.
CRAMERTON—Dr. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton, N. C.
DALLAS—Hubert Huggins, Dallas, N. C.
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GASTONIA, EAST—T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FIRST—Dr. B. A. Bowers, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FLINT-GROVES—B. F. Austin, E. Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, LORAY—Dr. J. W. Whitley, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, S. MARIETTA—G. W. Davis, Box 282, Gastonia,N.C.
GASTONIA, TEMPLE—W. Arthur Hoffman, W. Gastonia, N. C.
HARDIN—H. W. Baucom, Gastonia, N. C.
HICKORY GROVE—T. H. Roach, Rt. 5, Lincolnton, N. C.
HIGH SHOALS—A. L. Campbell, Lincolnton, N. C.
HULL'S GROVE—A. L. Campbell, Lincolnton, N. C.
LONG CREEK MEM.—Dr. C. E. Phillips, Dallas, N. C.
LOWELL, FIRST—L. P. Barnett, Lowell, N. C.
McADENVILLE—D. C. Wesson, McAdenville, N. C.
MISSION—C. E. Brooks, Gastonia, N. C.
MOUNTAIN SIDE—W. E. Abrams, Mt. Holly, N. C.
MOUNTAIN VIEW—J. F. Moss, Kings Mountain, N .C.
MOUNT BEULAH—C. J .Black, Bessemer City, N. C.
MT. HOLLY, FIRST—M. L. Barnes, Mt. Holly, N. C.
MOUNT ZION—Lawrence Roberts, Rt. Shelby, N. C.
RANLO—W. L. Walters, Rt. 2, Gastonia, N. C.
SANDY PLAINS—M. P. Rhyne, Dallas, N. C.
SHADY GROVE—W. G. Camp, Cherryville, N. C.
TUCKASEEGE—W. E. Abrams, Mt. Holly, N. C.
WEBB'S CHAPEL—A. L. Campbell, Lincolnton, N. C.
WOODLAWN—G. G. Bowen, Rt. 2, Gastonia, N. C.

SUPERINTENDENTS

ALEXIS—D. B. Bradshaw, Alexis, N. C.
BELMONT, EAST—J. B. Page, Belmont, N. C.
BELMONT, FIRST—D. P. Stowe, Belmont, N. C.
BESSEMER CITY—T. N. Reeves, Bessemer City, N. C.
BETHEL—Oscar Costner, Rt. 1., Gastonia, N. C.
BRUINGTON—Herman Lineberger, Stanley, N. C.
CENTER VIEW—Kennith Murphy, Rt. 1, Belmont, N. C.
CHERRYVILLE—J. T. Allen, Cherryville, N. C.
CRAMERTON—Guy Walker, Cramerton, N. C.
DALLAS—R. B. Lineberger, Dallas, N. C.
GASTONIA, CALVARY—R. L. Taylor, Victory Station, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, EAST—B. M. Warren, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FIRST—W. B. Hair, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FLINT-GROVES—Claude Helton, E. Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, LORAY—C. H. Stroupe, Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, S. MARIETTA—M. C. Sowell, Box 271, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, TEMPLE—Otto Perry, Rt. 4, Gastonia, N. C.
HARDIN—J. J. Friday, Rt. 1, Dallas, N. C.
HICKORY GROVE—B. J. Hovis, Belmont, N. C.
HIGH SHOALS—J. S. McFadden, Rt. 1, Dallas, N. C.
HULL'S GROVE—
LONG CREEK MEMORIAL—F. M. Paysour, Dallas, N. C.
LOWELL, FIRST—H. H. Roberts, Lowell, N. C.
McADENVILLE—B. H. Waters, McAdenville, N. C.
MISSION—J. A. Renau, Rt. 3, Gastonia, N. C.
MOUNTAIN SIDE—A. B. Boozer, Rt. 2, Gastonia, N. C.
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Jimmy Culberson, Kings Mountain, N. C.
MOUNT BEULAH—L. A. Barbee, Lincolnton, N. C., Rt. 5
MOUNT HOLLY, FIRST—R. B. Watkins, Mt. Holly, N. C.
MOUNT ZION—Miss Vassie Lee Hicks, Cherryville, N. C.
RANLO—E. G. Canipe, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia, N. C.
SANDY PLAINS—J. M. Gaddis, Rt. 3, Gastonia, N .C.
SHADY GROVE—Roy Witherspoon, Kings Mountain, N. C.
TUCKASEEGE—J. D. Smith, Mount Holly, N. C.
WEBB'S CHAPEL—Anderson Carpenter, Lincolnton, N. C.
WOODLAWN—Union School.

CHURCH CLERKS

ALEXIS—C. L. Abernathy, Alexis, N. C.
BELMONT, EAST—Miss Ethel Chapman, Belmont, N. C.
BELMONT, FIRST—James G. Todd, Belmont, N. C.
BESSEMER CITY—W. O. Kelley, Bessemer City, N. C.
BETHEL—Ed. Wall, Rt. 1, Gastonia, N. C.
BRUINGTON—A. C. Taylor, Stanley, N. C.
CENTER VIEW—C. C. Holtzclaw, Rt. 1, Belmont, N. C.
CHERRYVILLE—David P. Dellinger, Cherryville, N. C.
CRAMERTON—R. L. Leeper, Cramerton, N. C.
DALLAS—Mitchell Carr, Dallas, N. C.
GASTONIA, CALVARY—Allen E. Monk, Pinkney, Station. Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, EAST—C. W. Cloninger, E. Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FIRST—Herrick Brumley, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, FLINT-GROVES—A. L. Cline, E. Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, LORAY—John P. Smith, Gastonia, N. C.

GASTONIA, S. MARIETTA ST.—W. R. Glover, Gastonia, N. C.
GASTONIA, TEMPLE—Ernest Dellinger, W. Gastonia, N. C.
HARDIN—Wilson Lanier, Dallas, N. C., Rt. 1.
HICKORY GROVE—H. W. Abernathy, Mt. Holly, N. C.
HIGH SHOALS—O. H. Dillard, High Shoals, N. C.
HULL'S GROVE—W. L. Cansler, Rt .2, Vale, N. C.
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McADENVILLE—E. F. Hoffman, McAdenville, N. C.
MISSION—C. L. King, Gastonia, N. C.
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MOUNTAIN VIEW—James Duncan, Bessemer City, N. C.
MOUNT BEULAH—M. L. Black, Bessemer City, N. C.
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MOUNT ZION—W. C. Houser.
RANLO—A. C. Warlick, Rt. 2, Gastonia, N. C.
SANDY PLAINS—W. E. Barnes, Rt. 3, Gastonia, N. C.
SHADY GROVE—Earl Sellers, Kings Mountain, N. C.
TUCKASEEGE—J. M. Beech, Mount Holly, N. C.
WEBB'S CHAPEL—
WOODLAWN—A. L. Stafford, Lowell, N. C.

REGULAR TREASURERS

ALEXIS—F. B. Morris, Alexis, N. C.
BELMONT, EAST—C. W. Bess, Belmont, N. C.
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BETHEL—Floyd Tate, Rt. 1, Gastonia, N. C.
BRUINGTON—Dr. B. G. Weathers, Stanley, N. C.
CENTER VIEW—W. S. Haynie, Belmont, N. C.
CHERRYVILLE—J. W. Kendrick, Cherryville, N. C.
CRAMERTON—D. M. Ballard, Cramerton, N. C.
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HARDIN—E. W. Friday, Dallas, N. C., Rt. 1.
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MOUNT BEULAH—W. B. Elam, Lincolnton, N. C., Rt. 5.
MOUNT HOLLY, FIRST—H. G. Harris, Mount Holly, N. C.
MOUNT ZION—C. J. Dellinger, Rt. 2, Cherryville, N. C.
RANLO—John A. Ladd, Ranlo Station, Gastonia, N. C.
SANDY PLAINS—W. E. Barnes, Rt. 3, Gastonia, N. C.
SHADY GROVE—D. M. Witherspoon, Cherryville, N. C.
TUCKASEEGE—J. M. Beach, Mount Holly, N. C.
WEBB'S CHAPEL—W. R. Huffstetler, Lincolnton, N. C.
WOODLAWN—James McGaha, Lowell, N. C.

AUXILIARY LEADERS

B. T. U. DIRECTORS AND LEADERS

ALEXIS—William Stroupe, Director, Alexis, N. C.; D. B. Bradshaw, Alexis, (A); Mrs. S. M. Stroupe, Alexis, (I); Mrs. Annie Thompson, Alexis, (J); Mrs. Lucius Holland, Alexis, (S).

BELMONT, EAST—L. H. Warren, Director, Belmont; Plato Hardin, Belmont, (A); C. M. Oswalt, Belmont, (S); Miss Alma Bumgardner, Belmont, (I); Miss Eva Benfield, Belmont, (J); Miss Ethel Chapman, Belmont, (J).

BELMONT, FIRST—L. M. Lay, Director, Belmont; M. B. Reid, Belmont, (A); Miss Helen Auten, Belmont, (S); Miss Mildred Featherstone, Belmont, (S); Clyde Clark, Belmont, (S); Vergie Sparks, Belmont, (I); Mazelle Duncan, Belmont, (J); Lillie Auten,

Belmont, (Story Hour); Mrs. L. M. Lay, Belmont, (Story Hour.).

BESSEMER CITY—J. H. Stamey, Director, Bessemer City; J. H. Stamey, Bessemer City, (I); Kathleen Dobbins, Bessemer City, (J).

BETHEL—M. L. Capps, Director, Rt. 1, Gastonia; Floyd Tate, Rt. 1, Gastonia, (A).

BRUINGTON—Miss Majorie Morris, Stanley; Miss Majorie Whisnant, Stanley, (S); Lloyd Long, Stanley, (I); Herman Lineberger, Stanley, (J).

CENTER VIEW—Robert Lathan, Director, Rt. 1, Mt. Holly; O. R. Stewart, Rt. 1, Belmont, (A); Ora Chapman, Rt. 1, Belmont, (S); Grace Pressley, Rt. 1, Belmont, (I); Ruby King Rt. 1, Belmont, (J).

CHERRYVILLE—Ava Stroup, Director, Cherryville; Lewis McCurry, Cherryville, (S); Mrs. R. E. McDowell, Cherryville, (I); Alfonzo Beam, Cherryville, (J).

CRAMERTON—C. O. Nixon, Director, Cramerton; J. B. Walker, Cramerton, (A); F. O. Kelley, Cramerton, (S); Bryan Hurd, Cramerton, (I); Irma Fisher, Cramerton, (J).

DALLAS—D. L. Friday, Director, Dallas; Ruth Huggins, Dallas, (S); Hubert Huggins, Dallas, (I); Anna Linberger, Dallas, (J).

GASTONIA, CALVARY—C. H. Montgomery, Director, Pinkney Station, Gastonia; Ralph Price, Victory Sta., Gastonia, (S); Rev. J. A. Hudson, Pinkney Station, Gastonia, (I); Mary Davidson, Pinkney Station, Gastonia, (J).

GASTONIA, EAST—None listed.

GASTONIA, FIRST—Miss Naoma Braswill, Director, Gastonia; Frank A. Young, Gastonia, (S); Mrs. W. M. Severance, Gastonia, (I); Mrs. C. B. Page, Gastonia, (I); James Mullen, Gastonia, (I); Mrs. Gary Littlefield, Gastonia, (J); Mrs. George Sanderson, Gastonia, (J); Miss Peal Short, Gastonia, (J); Mrs. C. S. Bell, Gastonia, (J); Miss Jessie Craig Walters, Gastonia, (J).

GASTONIA, FLINT-GROVES—Miss Winona Saunders, Director, E. Gastonia; Focian Clark, East Gastonia, (S).

GASTONIA, LORAY—J. P. Thomas, Director, Gastonia; Talmadge McCoig, Gastonia, (A); Mrs. Charlie Allen, Gastonia, (A); Everett Stockton, Gastonia, (S); C. H. Stroupe, Gastonia, (S); Kenneth Dobbins, Gastonia, (Director Intermediates); Winston Crawford, Gastonia, (I); John Long, Gastonia, (I); Alberta Whitlow, Gastonia, (I); Pauline Settlemyer, Gastonia, (I); Pearl Gardner, Gastonia, (I); George E. Robinson, Gastonia, (Director Jun-

ior Boys); H. C. Adams, Gastonia, (J); Gold Peeler, Gastonia, (J); Miss Lula Blanton, Gastonia, (Director Junior Girls); Mrs .John P. Smith, Gastonia, (J); Miss Helen Styers, Gastonia, (J); Mrs. Amos Mosier, Gastonia, (J); Mrs. Jess Baucom, Gastonia, (J).

GASTONIA, MARIETTA STREET—C. S. Withers, Director, Gastonia, Mrs. J. H. Bradley, Gastonia, (A); Miss Ollie Crisp, Gastonia, (S); Luther Hawkins, Gastonia, (I); Mrs. W. R. Wimpey Gastonia, (J).

GASTONIA, TEMPLE—Fred Crenshaw, Director, Rt. 4 ,Gastonia; Walter Fox, Gastonia, (A); Ernest McKenzie, Gastonia, (S); Miss Blanche Willis, Gastonia, (S); Robert Smith, Gastonia, (I); Lester Thornburg, Gastonia, (I); Mae Hoffman, Gastonia, (I); Hazel Dellinger, Gastonia, (J); Mrs. O. V. Crain, Gastonia, (J); Mrs. R. C. Fisher, Gastonia, (J); Carl Hedrick, Gastonia, (J;) William Frady, Gastonia, (J).

HARDIN—J. J. Friday, Director, Rt. 1, Dallas; Robert Gladden, Dallas, Rt. 1, (S); E. W. Friday, Rt. 1, Dallas, (I).

HICKORY GROVE—None listed.

HIGH SHOALS—Miss Ruth Yarbrough, Director, High Shoals, Miss Ruth Robinson, High Shoals, (S); Miss Ruth Yarbrough, High Shoals, (I); Mrs. L. W. Workman, High Shoals ,(J).

HULL'S GROVE—None listed.

LONG CREEK MEMORIAL—V. M. Sheppard, Director, Stanley; Mrs. M. P. Rhyne, Dallas, (A); B. M. Holland, Dallas, (S); Mrs. B. M. Holland, Dallas, (I); Miss Annie Phillips, Dallas, (J).

LOWELL, FIRST—Homer Price, Director, M. H. Ursury, Lowell, (A); Mrs. Elsie Riley, Lowell, (S); Miss Helen Weaver, Lowell, (I); L. C. Dellinger, Lowell, (J).

McADENVILLE—Louvena Spargo, Director, McAdenville; Mrs. George Abernethy, McAdenville, (A); Charlie Waters, McAdenville, (S); Mrs. George Abernethy, McAdenville, (I); Lovenia Spargo, McAdenville, (J).

MISSION—None listed.

MOUNTAIN SIDE—None listed.

MOUNTAIN VIEW—None listed.

MOUNT BEULAH—Fred Biggerstaff, Director, Bessemer City, Rt. 2; R. P. Land, Rt. 2, Bessemer City, (A); Melvin Land, Rt. 2, Bessemer City, (S); Howard Nichols, Rt. 2, Bessemer City, (I); Frank Barbee, Rt. 2, Lincolnton, (J).

MOUNT HOLLY, FIRST—Clyde B. Moody, Director, Mount Holly, Percy H. Roberts, Mount Holly, (Associate Director); P. H. Roberts, Mount Holly, (A); Miss Corrie Hollis, Mount Holly, (S); Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mount Holly, (I); Miss Ethel Jenkins, Mount Holly, (I); Miss Thelma McGee, Mount Holly, (J); Miss Hildegarde Barnes, Mount Holly, (J); E. L. Painter, Mt. Holly, (J).

MOUNT ZION—None listed.

RANLO—Mrs. J. P. Rowland, Director, Smyre Station, Gastonia; Miss Louise Shore, Ranlo Sta., Gastonia, (A); Miss Willie Mae Smith, Ranlo Station, Gastonia, (S); Russel Bookout, Ranlo Station, Gastonia, (I); Mrs. Arthur Winn, Ranlo Station, Gastonia, (J); Miss Iona Bookout, Ranlo Station, Gastonia, (J).

SANDY PLAINS—None listed.

SHADY GROVE—None listed.

TUCKASEEGE—Fred Stafford, Director, Mt. Holly; Jess Huffstetler, Mount Holly, (A); Effie White, Mount Holly, (S); Ruby White, Mount Holly, (S); Lawrence Stafford, Mount Holly, (I); Mary Huffstetler, Mount Holly, (J).

WEBB'S CHAPEL—None listed.

WOODLAWN—James McGaha, Director, Lowell; Clarence Dodson, Lowell, (A); John Carter, Lowell, (S); J. T. Stafford, Lowell, (I); Thelma Carter, Lowell, (J).

W. M. S. PRESIDENTS

Alexis—Miss Mamie Rhyne, Rt. 2, Dallas.
Belmont, East—Mrs. W. D. Nichols, Belmont.
Belmont, First—Mrs. R. B. Suggs, Belmont.
Bessemer City—Mrs. Frank Sisk, Bessemer City.
Bruington—Mrs. V. Q. Morris, Stanley.
Center View—Mrs. F. M. Huggins, Belmont.
Cherryville—Mrs. L. C. McDowell, Cherryville.
Cramerton—Mrs. W. E. Blanton, Cramerton.
Dallas—Mrs. G. R. Dixon, Dallas.
Gastonia, Calvary—Mrs. J. A. Hudson ,Pinkney Station, Gastonia.
Gastonia, East—Mrs. M. T. Saunders, East Gastonia.
Gastonia, First—Mrs. Ben. S. Guion, Gastonia.
Gastonia, Flint-Groves—Mrs. B. F. Austin, East Gastonia.
Gastonia, Loray—Officers not given.
Gastonia, Marietta Street—Mrs. M. M. Propst, Gastonia.

Long Creek Memorial—Mrs. B. M. Holland, Dallas.
Lowell, First—Mrs. R. L. Helderman, Lowell.
McAdenville—Mrs. D. C. Wesson, McAdenville.
Mount Beulah—Mrs. W. B. Elam, Lincolnton, Rt. 5.
Mount Holly, First—Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mount Holly.
Ranlo—Mrs. O. G. Payseur, Ranlo Station, Gastonia.
Sandy Plains—Mrs. J. L. Featherstone, Cramerton.
Tuckaseege—Mrs. W. E. Abrams, Mount Holly.
Woodlawn—Mrs. J. F. Hawkins, Lowell.
Note—Churches not listed made no report of W. M. U.

Y. W. A. COUNSELORS

Belmont, East—Mrs. P. A. Hicks, Belmont.
Belmont, First—Mrs. R. A. Kelley, Belmont.
Bessemer City—Miss Lucy Williams, Bessemer City.
Cherryville—Mrs. L. C. McDowell, Cherryville.
Cramerton—Mrs. E. V. Hudson, Cramerton.
Dallas—Miss Helen Durham, Dallas.
Gastonia, East—Mrs. T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia.
Gastonia, First—Mrs. J. Robert Wright, Gastonia.
McAdenville—Miss Jessie Rankin, McAdenville.
Mount Holly, First—Mrs. R. M. Stroupe, Mount Holly.
Note—Only churches reported above are listed.

R. A LEADERS

Belmont, First—Clyde Clark, Belmont.
Bessemer City—Kathleen Dobbing, Bessemer City.
Bruington—Miss Majorie Whisnant, Stanley.
Cherryville—David E. Bobbitt, Cherryville.
Cramerton—Aggie Ashe, Cramerton.
Gastonia, First—Mrs. B. A. Bowers, Jr., Gastonia.
Lowell, First—Homer Price, Lowell.
Mount Holly, First—Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mount Holly.
Note—Only churches reporting above are listed.

G. A. LEADERS

Belmont, East—Mrs. Lela Rinehart, Belmont.
Bessemer City—Mrs. Matt Thomas (Jr); Mrs. W. A. Lindsay (Int), Bessemer City.

Bruington—Miss Majorie Morris, Miss Alva Long, Stanley.
Cramerton—Mae Ashe, Cramerton.
Dallas—Elizabeth Goins, Dallas.
Gastonia, East—Miss Jessie Jane Weir, Mrs. Doyt Ledford, Gastonia.
Gastonia, First—Mrs. W. B. Hair, Mrs. W. H. Leathers, Gastonia.
McAdenville—Mrs. Addie Harris, McAdenville.
Mount Beulah—Mrs. R. E. Drye, Rt. 1, Bessemer City.
Mount Holly, First—Mrs. B. R. Logan, Mount Holly.
Ranlo—Mrs. W. N. Williams, Ranlo Station, Gastonia.
Note—Only churches reporting above are listed.

SUNBEAM LEADERS

Belmont, East—Miss Donnie Lawning, Belmont.
Bessemer City—Mrs. Crown Richardson, Bessemer City.
Bruington—Mrs. F. O. Goodson, Stanley.
Cherryville—Mrs. L. L. Summer, Cherryville.
Cramerton—Helen Hudspeth, Cramerton.
Dallas—Ruth Huggins, Dallas.
Gastonia, East—Mrs. A. N. Simpson, Gastonia, N. C.
Gastonia, First—Mrs. W. M. Farris, Gastonia.
Lowell, First—Mrs. C. B. Lowery, Lowell.
McAdenville—Nettie Cloninger, McAdenville.
Mount Beulah—Kathleen Whitesides, Rt. 1, Bessemer City.
Mount Holly, First—Miss Margaret Ware, Mount Holly.
Note—Only churches reporting above are listed.

LAYMEN'S BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS

Belmont, East—J. B. Brown, Belmont.
Note—Only churches reporting above are listed.

MINISTER'S ORDAINED THIS YEAR

Dallas—Hubert Huggins, Dallas.
Mission—C. E. Brooks, Gastonia.
Note—Only churches reporting above are listed.

STUDENTS OF THE MINISTRY

Alexis—Ralph Cannon, Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, N. C.
Belmont, East—Wayne Deitz, Fruitland Institute.

Cherryville—Frank Grigg, Home Study, Cherryville.

Cramerton—Harry Hand, Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, N. C.

Dallas—Olin Dellinger, Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C.

Gastonia, First—Ralph Rhyne, Furman University, Greenville, S. C.

Gastonia, Marietta Street—W. L. Hawkins, School not given.

Shady Grove—Amos Kiser, 227 Judson Hall, S. Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Note—Only churches reporting above are listed.

HISTORICAL TABLE

Year	Where Held	Preacher	Moderator	Clerk
1919	Gastonia, First	D. F. Putnam	H. B. Moore	David P. Dellinger
1920	Long Creek Memorial	T. H. King	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1921	Cherryville	T. M. Kester	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1922	Cramerton	T. M. Kester	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1923	Loray, Gastonia	E. C. Andrews	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1924	Mount Zion	J. O. Fulbright	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1925	Alexis	W. T. Baucom	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1926	Flint-Groves	O. W. Triplett	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1927	Hickory Grove	J. J. Beach	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1928	Gastonia, Marietta St.	T. L. Cashwell	W. J. Francis	David P. Dellinger
1929	Mount Holly	Dr. B. A. Bowers	R. G. Mace	M. O. Thornburg
1930	Bessemer City	R. A. Kelly	R. G. Mace	M. O. Thornburg
1931	Lowell, First	B. F. Austin	R. G. Mace	J. A. Wilkins
1932	Belmont, East	F. M. Huggins	R. G. Mace	J. A. Wilkins
1933	McAdenville	W. G. Camp	R. G. Mace	J. A. Wilkins
1934	Hull's Grove	David E. Bobbitt	R. G. Mace	W. L. Walters
1935	Bruington	P. A. Hicks	J. W. Whitley	W. L. Walters

TABLE I: CHURCH MEMBERSHIP. ETC. OF GASTON COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER, 1935.

CHURCHES	Location (*)	Constituted	Sundays Preaching	Members Reported Last Year	ADDITIONS: Baptisms	ADDITIONS: Letters	ADDITIONS: Statements	ADDITIONS: Restorations	LOSSES: Letters	LOSSES: Exclusions	LOSSES: Erasures	LOSSES: Deaths	Total Present Membership	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revival Meetings	Lord's Supper Observed	Families receiving State Bapt. paper
Alexis	V	1903	1 3	232	6	9	...	...	4	...	...	1	242	Yes	1	1	5
Belmont, East	T	1912	1 2 3 4	524	59	43	1	4	16	...	20	3	592	Yes	2	4	12
Belmont, First	T	1874	1 2 3 4	463	26	21	2	...	24	23	...	4	461	Yes	1	4	17
Bessemer City	T	1893	1 2 3 4	563	23	7	...	...	20	...	112	5	456	Yes	1	2	...
Bethel	V	1926	1 2 3 4	86	13	7	2	...	...	...	...	...	108	Yes	4	3	...
Bruington	T	1853	2 4	315	12	3	...	...	1	29	38	...	262	Yes	1	4	8
Center View	V	1921	1 2 3 4	350	17	29	...	60	20	4	21	...	411	Yes	2	4	6
Cherryville	T	1893	1 2 3 4	487	14	12	...	...	23	...	...	5	485	Yes	1	4	35
Cramerton	V	1910	1 2 3 4	544	31	27	...	...	35	...	...	4	563	...	...	...	...
Dallas	T	1879	1 2 3 4	255	...	10	...	...	3	...	...	3	259	Yes	1	4	40
Gastonia, Calvary	C	1920	1 2 3 4	519	21	15	4	...	22	9	...	2	526	Yes	2	4	6
Gastonia, East	C	1900	1 2 3 4	547	24	14	...	2	34	35	...	5	513	Yes	1	4	20
Gastonia, First	C	1874	1 2 3 4	1,083	29	58	8	...	110	90	...	2	976	Yes	1	4	43
Gastonia, Flint-Groves	C	1923	1 2 3 4	324	23	10	1	1	21	...	...	4	334	Yes	2	1	3
Gastonia, Loray	C	1905	1 2 3 4	944	67	60	...	4	97	4	...	8	966	Yes	1	4	5
Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	C	1917	1 2 3 4	402	28	19	...	3	24	...	...	2	426	Yes	2	4	...
Gastonia, Temple	C	1926	1 2 3 4	516	86	31	10	...	18	4	59	1	561	Yes	2	4	2
Hardin	V	1928	1 2 3	131	6	...	...	...	4	...	4	2	127	No	2	2	3
Hickory Grove	C'try	1873	2 4	203	2	2	...	...	11	1	...	2	193	No	1	2	...
High Shoals	V	1912	1 3	113	12	8	1	...	8	...	...	2	124	Yes	3	1	...
Hull's Grove	C'try	1890	.....	100	2	1	...	7	1	...	...	2	107	Yes	1	...	...
Long Creek Memorial	C'try	1772	1 2 3 4	233	12	17	...	1	7	...	...	...	255	Yes	1	4	10
Lowell, First	T	1892	1 2 3 4	399	28	14	1	3	5	18	...	3	419	Yes	2	4	10
McAdenville	T	1887	1 2 3 4	278	21	4	2	16	11	14	2	8	286	Yes	1	4	4
Mission	C	1935	1 2 3 4	.....	30	46	5	...	...	...	...	...	81	Yes	2	...	...
Mountain Side	V	1893	1 3	132	3	4	4	...	12	...	...	...	131	Yes	2	3	...
Mountain View	V	1928	1 2 3 4	43	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	43	Yes	2	3	...
Mount Beulah	C'try	1916	2 4	122	7	4	...	1	1	1	...	1	131	No	1	4	4
Mount Holly, First	T	1890	1 2 3 4	698	22	20	...	...	16	...	33	1	690	Yes	1	2	20
Mount Zion	C'try	1857	2	232	5	...	...	...	7	...	...	2	228	No	1	1	...
Ranlo	V	1919	1 2 3 4	463	15	13	2	...	14	26	...	2	451	Yes	2	3	1
Sandy Plains	C'try	1863	1 2 3 4	296	8	5	1	...	8	...	18	2	282	No	1	2	...
Shady Grove	C'try	1881	1 3	194	4	...	...	...	3	...	...	2	193	No	1	1	2
Tuckaseege	V	1912	2 4	180	20	22	...	4	2	...	...	1	223	Yes	...	...	...
Webb's Chapel	C'try	1892	1	94	4	2	...	...	5	...	...	...	95	No	...	...	...
Woodlawn	V	1928	1 2 3 4	176	9	11	...	...	26	...	...	...	170	Yes	1	...	...
TOTAL				12,241	691	548	44	106	615	258	308	79	12,370	...	50	...	256

Note—'V', Village; 'T', Town; 'C' City; 'C'try', Country.

TABLE II: SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER, 1935.

CHURCHES	Beginners, 3-5 yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Home Department	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment—Including Officers, Teachers & Pupils	What is Your Avge. Attendance?	Is the School Graded?	Is it Standard A-1?	Teach. Holding Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Have You a Mission Sunday School	Enrollment of Mission Sunday school	Daily Vacation Bible Schools	Enrolment Daily Vacation School	Average Attendance D. V. B. S.
Alexis	20	21	34	32	44	31	.....	.....	15	197	103	Yes	No	13	6	No	...	No	...	...
Belmont, East	36	75	111	69	83	164	88	.....	52	678	359	Yes	No	15	47	No	...	No	...	...
Belmont, First	26	59	55	42	46	85	31	30	66	440	315	Yes	Yes	43	...	No	...	No	...	...
Bessemer City	29	43	80	46	70	110	8	.....	50	436	218	Yes	No	35	20	No	...	No	...	...
Bethel	47	.....	38	.....	.....	85	.....	.....	6	176	60	No	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bruington	11	20	34	34	70	38	.....	.....	20	227	114	Yes	No	10	7	No	...	Yes	...	...
Center View	33	54	73	71	42	66	.....	.....	37	376	205	Yes	No	3	15	No	...	No	...	...
Cherryville	19	61	79	43	74	111	19	20	44	470	181	Yes	No	28	12	No	...	No	...	...
Cramerton	33	69	48	74	155	107	44	88	53	671	308	Yes	Yes	29	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dallas	26	23	32	23	23	56	18	.....	19	220	120	Yes	Yes	17	...	No	...	No	...	...
Gastonia, Calvary	26	51	80	55	50	129	20	.....	40	451	245	Yes	No	9	15	No	...	No	...	...
Gastonia, East	52	72	109	62	84	146	20	35	56	636	315	Yes	No	27	23	Yes	60	...	...	...
Gastonia, First	66	116	138	137	89	361	36	98	95	1,136	508	Yes	Yes	1	20	No	...	Yes	190	175
Gastonia, Flint-Groves	50	75	60	25	85	60	.....	.....	25	380	244	No	No	...	20	No	...	No	...	...
Gastonia, Loray	53	119	171	104	100	395	19	45	90	1,096	437	Yes	Yes	50	65	No	...	Yes	347	280
Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	36	62	60	59	120	10	.....	.....	35	382	249	Yes	No	3	8	No	...	No	...	...
Gastonia, Temple	54	83	125	100	140	161	.....	.....	52	715	315	Yes	No	25	70	No	...	No	...	...
Hardin	..	15	26	7	56	47	.....	.....	10	161	125	No	No	6	6	...	...	...	...	...
Hickory Grove	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	175	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
High Shoals	34	.....	46	27	60	58	.....	.....	8	233	123	No	No	...	12	No	...	No	...	...
Hull's Grove	8	15	13	18	17	20	.....	.....	17	108	84	Yes	No	2	2	No	...	No	...	...
Long Creek Memorial	16	24	40	49	50	55	.....	.....	15	249	133	Yes	No	12	10	No	...	No	...	...
Lowell, First	34	51	.....	103	.....	140	26	.....	49	403	275	Yes	No	25	28	No	...	Yes	112	97
McAdenville	32	48	66	49	72	116	25	.....	25	433	239	Yes	No	17	21	No	...	No	...	...
Mission	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	221	140	No	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mountain Side	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	175	140	No	No	...	...	No	...	...	...	...
Mountain View	17	19	26	9	41	28	.....	.....	25	156	70	No	No	1	...	No	...	No	...	...
Mount Beulah	13	11	16	17	24	43	8	7	13	152	75	Yes	Yes	12	8	No	...	...	...	...
Mount Holly, First	35	80	135	80	60	200	15	20	30	655	317	Yes	No	15	22	No	...	No	...	...
Mount Zion	11	14	20	16	20	19	5	.....	20	125	100	Yes	No	7	5	No	...	No	...	...
Ranlo	30	35	47	55	60	50	9	25	46	357	172	No	No	24	12	No	...	No	...	...
Sandy Plains	32	.....	29	24	39	100	.....	.....	10	234	130	No	No	...	...	No	...	No	...	...
Shady Grove	18	.....	11	9	17	23	.....	.....	13	91	61	Yes	No	6	3	No	...	No	...	...
Tuckaseege	25	25	58	21	55	72	.....	.....	11	267	136	No	No	2	20	...	...	...	...	...
Webb's Chapel	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Woodlawn	Union School										...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	922	1,340	1,860	1,451	1,846	3,086	391	368	1,071	12,882	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

TABLE III: CHURCH PROPERTY OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER. 30. 1935

CHURCHES	Does Your Church Own its House of Worship?	When was it built?	Material Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	No. of Department Assembly Rooms	No. of Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House & Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on all Church Property	Insurance Carried
Alexis	Yes	1904	Wood	400	5	5	4	$ 2,000	$	$ 2,000	$	$ .....
Belmont, East	Yes	1930	Brick	550	33	5	27	25,000	6,500	31,500	13,264.00	22,250.00
Belmont, First	Yes	1912	Brick	500	6	5	11	29,000	12,000	41,000	2,200.00	15,000.00
Bessemer City	Yes	1920	Brick	500	13	5	28	40,000	.....	40,000	8,500.00	15,000.00
Bethel	No	1923	Wood	200	3	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bruington	Yes	1923	Brick	400	11	3	11	20,000	3,000	23,000	5,000.00	9,000.00
Center View	Yes	1925	Brick	800	23	4	21	8,000	2,000	10,000	4,259.00	4,600.00
Cherryville	Yes	1921	Brick	600	23	4	27	50,000	3,500	53,500	10,000.00	25,000.00
Cramerton	No	1920	Brick	500	4	...	12	55,000	3,000	58,000	.....	2,500.00
Dallas	Yes	1914	Brick	600	6	5	5	18,000	6,000	24,000	.....	10,000.00
Gastonia, Calvary	Yes	1923	Brick	475	12	2	10	15,000	2,500	17,500	9,916.10	12,000.00
Gastonia, East	Yes	1918	Brick	600	12	6	43	30,000	10,000	40,000	3,500.00	21,000.00
Gastonia, First	Yes	1923	Brick	1,392	26	7	41	250,000	30,000	280,000	800.00	110,000.00
Gastonia, Flint-Groves	Yes	1923	Brick	1,000	16	14	14	11,500	.....	11,500	4,894.00	6,500.00
Gastonia, Loray	Yes	1907	Wood	1,200	46	6	41	70,000	20,000	90,000	.....	35,000.00
Gastonia, S. Marietta St.	Yes	1919	Brick	400	12	7	7	25,000	.....	25,000	4,238.40	10,000.00
Gastonia, Temple	Yes	1928	Wood	400	36	6	30	9,000	.....	9,000	.....	5,000.00
Hardin	Yes	1928	Brick	400	6	...	4	7,000	.....	7,000	940.00	.....
Hickory Grove	Yes	1873	Wood	500	3	1	2	2,000	.....	2,000	.....	.....
High Shoals	Yes	1912	Wood	350	4	...	...	1,500	.....	1,500	.....	170.46
Hull's Grove	Yes	1890	Wood	350	8	1	8	2,000	.....	2,000	.....	1,125.00
Long Creek Memorial	Yes	1920	Brick	1,000	11	...	8	21,000	1,500	22,500	4,500.00	11,000.00
Lowell, First	Yes	1920	Brick	500	30	5	25	45,000	.....	45,000	17,000.00	18,000.00
McAdenville	Yes	....	Wood	400	9	14	14	2,500	1,000	3,500	.....	3,500.00
Mission	Yes	1935	Wood	300	3	...	5	2,500	.....	2,500	1,000.00	.....
Mountain Side	No	....	Wood	350	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mountain View	No	....	Wood	300	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Beulah	Yes	1917	Wood	400	9	9	8	2,000	.....	2,000	.....	.....
Mount Holly, First	Yes	1924	Brick	800	14	2	26	50,000	.....	50,000	9,500.00	20,000.00
Mount Zion	Yes	1903	Wood	400	10	2	3	6,250	.....	6,250	.....	.....
Ranlo	Yes	1923	Brick	400	17	3	17	16,500	3,500	20,000	1,700.00	13,000.00
Sandy Plains	Yes	1875	Wood	500	4	3	3	2,000	.....	2,000	.....	750.00
Shady Grove	Yes	1881	Wood	425	5	...	4	1,000	.....	1,000	.....	.....
Tuckaseege	Yes	1912	Wood	300	5	5	5	3,000	1,500	4,500	160.00	.....
Webb's Chapel	Yes	1892	Wood	300	1	...	7	2,500	.....	2,500	.....	300.00
Woodlawn	...	....	.....	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL								$824,250	$106,000	$930,250	$101,371.50	$370,695.46

Note—There are no Mission Chapels in this Association

W. L. WALTERS, Clerk, Gaston County Baptist Association, Gastonia, N. C.

J. W. WHITLEY, Moderator, Gaston County Baptist Association, Gastonia, N. C.

TABLE IV: GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTISTASSOCIATION FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER. 30. 1935.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for Sunday School, B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.	Help Given To Local Poor	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	(Local Work) Given by Church Only	(Local Work) Given by all W. M. U. Organizations	(Local Work) Given by the Sunday School	(Local Work) Total for Local Purposes Given by the Church and all Its Organizations
Alexis	$ 417.00	$	$ 51.70	$	$	$ 38.64	$ 109.13	$	$ 11.15	$	$ 487.30	$	$ 140.32	$ 627.62
Belmont, East	1,820.00		119.75	363.59	1,136.98	344.47	292.00	11.40		669.51	4,253.13		504.57	4,757.70
Belmont, First	2,700.00	118.38	200.00	151.63	1,688.05	581.27	478.71	40.02	13.92	25.00	5,996.98			5,996.98
Bessemer City	996.63	180.00	80.00		1,099.95	198.64	190.00	10.00	6.45	25.00	2,569.22	2.45	215.00	2,786.67
Bethel	260.04		100.00			172.88	65.00	34.80	4.97		572.69		65.00	637.69
Bruington	375.59		42.75	19.10	680.00	169.66	79.44		8.76	24.00	1,399.30			1,399.30
Center View	1,105.00	14.00	34.00	200.00	368.00	105.83	157.68	10.00		5.00	1,996.51		3.00	1,999.51
Cherryville	1,800.00		93.00	275.92	1,106.15	222.30	149.15		8.00	77.73	3,505.19		227.06	3,732.25
Cramerton	2,392.00		85.00			406.12	419.85	9.10		95.16	2,978.28	16.10	412.85	3,407.23
Dallas	900.00		85.00	25.80		294.63	129.90		8.35	23.65	1,292.05		175.28	1,467.33
Gastonia, Calvary	1,560.00		231.49	195.80	797.22	210.20	190.07		12.00	11.85	2,954.27	64.29	190.07	3,208.63
Gastonia, East	2,080.00		80.00	1,187.24		918.41	254.89	59.28	10.00	238.34	4,368.22		459.94	4,828.16
Gastonia, First	3,600.00	2,430.50	150.00	400.00	51.67	2,721.05	453.45	69.50	20.00	342.24	9,179.64		1,058.77	10,238.41
Gas. Flint-Groves.	1,560.00		69.00	1,200.00	336.80	205.76	192.66	62.80	10.00	89.95	3,260.05	25.95	440.97	3,726.97
Gastonia, Loray	2,600.00		200.00	318.58		771.18	724.20	174.48	10.00	884.74	5,578.14	5.04	100.00	5,683.18
Gas. S. Marietta	1,110.25		71.33	120.31	522.96	224.11	271.89	4.00	4.08	11.13	2,034.17	30.00	275.89	2,340.06
Gastonia, Temple	1,585.00		84.00	143.78	726.00	472.34	255.54		7.50	192.43	3,224.85		241.74	3,466.59
Hardin	153.75		22.60	40.90	162.50	12.49	42.68	15.00	2.00	16.00	467.92			467.92
Hickory Grove	293.21		50.00	104.32		54.81	81.75		7.31		509.65		81.75	591.40
High Shoals	168.47		15.00	185.00					5.51		373.98			373.98
Hull's Grove	194.13		25.00			50.60	35.00		1.00		122.13		183.60	305.73
Long Creek Mem.	1,006.53		30.00		612.00	607.86	56.10		7.59		2,032.49		287.59	2,320.08
Lowell, First	1,600.00		45.00	343.55	5,168.00	365.00	286.09	180.00	14.50	174.28	8,176.33			8,176.33
McAdenville	1,311.15		50.00	130.65		226.54	138.74	18.25	10.00	110.10	1,856.69		138.74	1,995.43
Mission				900.00		20.00	11.00		4.12		924.12		11.00	935.12
Mountain Side	293.24		42.62			96.63	44.14		3.00	17.20	346.96		149.87	496.83
Mountain View	108.34			10.00			40.90		4.11		163.35			163.35
Mount Beulah	350.00		30.50	16.88		96.17	68.80		2.62		445.00		119.97	564.97
Mt. Holly, First	2,080.00		80.00	125.00	2,352.89	486.59	219.88	100.00	10.00	2.10	4,887.40	100.00	469.06	5,456.46
Mount Zion	150.00		37.46			20.52	61.65		2.50	2.85	192.81		82.17	274.98
Ranlo	1,620.50		103.46	135.21	1,465.04	171.63	182.47		7.50	110.97	3,500.75		296.03	3,796.78
Sandy Plains	444.96		57.56	58.95		23.05	61.26	11.00	2.10	18.60	616.22	4.50	56.76	677.48
Shady Grove	321.50		38.70	4.00			34.28			208.30	560.20		46.58	606.78
Tuckaseege	395.00			691.06		119.37	132.27	100.00	3.11	8.50	1,097.33		351.98	1,449.31
Webb's Chapel	63.30			8.00							71.30			71.30
Woodlawn	674.24		22.00			71.50	36.47		6.77		790.98	20.00		810.98
TOTAL	$38,089.83	$ 2,742.88	$ 2,426.92	$ 7,355.27	$18,294.21	$10,480.25	$ 5,946.95	$909.63	$ 228.92	$ 3,384.63	$82,785.60	$ 268.33	$ 6,785.56	$89,839.49

W. L. WALTERS, Clerk, Gaston County Baptist Association, Gastonia, N. C.
J. W. WHITLEY, Moderator, Gaston County Baptist Association, Gastonia, N. C.

TABLE V: GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES OF GASTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER, 1935

CHURCHES	Total to Co-Operative Program	Special to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Christian and Ministerial Education	Special to Orphanage	Special Hospitals	Special to Old Minister's Relief	Other Special Gifts	(Missions, Etc.) Given by the Church Only	(Missions, Etc.) Given by W. M. U. Organizations	(Missions, Etc.) Given by the Sunday School	(Missions, Etc.) Total given for Missions and Benevolences by the Church and All Departments	Grand Total for all Purposes—Both Local Work and Missions—Given by the Church And All its Organizations.
Alexis	163.00	.....	12.00	10.75	10.75	58.00	82.65	18.50	.....	6.00	109.00	91.22	161.43	361.65	989.27
Belmont, East	514.48	.....	14.21	23.30	8.72	.....	197.78	15.15	.....	.....	532.48	17.60	223.56	773.64	5,531.34
Belmont, First	1,996.94	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	207.67	53.86	.....	.....	2,258.47	.....	.....	2,258.47	8,255.45
Bessemer City	117.55	5.00	8.40	51.15	55.10	10.50	105.00	.....	.....	9.20	68.30	153.60	140.00	361.90	3,148.57
Bethel	10.00	.....	4.50	.....	3.15	.....	44.68	5.00	.....	.....	22.65	.....	44.68	67.33	705.02
Bruington	.....	.....	.....	26.76	20.00	10.00	44.83	.....	.....	.....	101.59	.....	.....	101.59	1,500.89
Center View	68.00	.....	7.67	.....	5.00	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	45.67	40.00	25.00	110.67	2,110.18
Cherryville	511.97	.....	29.50	13.80	22.00	1.75	192.44	19.55	.....	61.45	595.22	92.50	164.74	852.46	4,584.71
Cramerton	1,015.93	.....	28.95	69.80	88.01	5.00	184.37	40.37	.....	24.60	1,015.93	126.69	314.41	1,457.03	4,864.26
Dallas	235.10	.....	52.85	.....	32.06	5.00	56.13	11.77	.....	3.00	144.66	129.65	121.60	395.91	1,863.24
Gastonia, Calvary	63.00	.....	1.30	.....	.....	.....	69.90	18.83	.....	.....	79.83	3.30	69.90	153.03	3,361.66
Gastonia, East	487.23	.....	13.84	.....	.....	.....	360.84	120.92	.....	140.00	553.17	74.06	495.60	1,122.83	5,950.99
Gastonia, First	5,600.01	.....	133.11	115.00	.....	.....	692.27	57.36	.....	334.57	3,922.11	2,190.18	820.03	6,932.32	17,170.73
Gas. Flint-Groves.	.....	.....	23.00	.....	.....	.....	9.61	9.15	.....	.....	23.00	.....	18.76	41.76	3,768.73
Gastonia, Loray	209.41	.....	28.00	2.40	15.42	.....	75.00	25.00	.....	.....	334.41	20.82	.....	355.23	6,038.41
Gas. S. Marietta.	75.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	112.45	.....	.....	.....	75.00	.....	112.45	187.45	2,527.51
Gastonia, Temple	60.00	.....	.....	.....	8.75	.....	77.00	.....	.....	.....	60.00	.....	85.75	145.75	3,612.34
Hardin	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.33	.....	.....	.....	15.33	.....	.....	15.33	483.25
Hickory Grove	.....	36.67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36.67	.....	.....	36.67	628.07
High Shoals	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	373.98
Hull's Grove	.....	.....	.....	11.00	.....	.....	11.50	4.00	.....	.....	11.50	.....	15.00	26.50	332.23
Long Creek Mem.	122.00	.....	5.87	.....	.....	.....	56.50	7.00	.....	.....	122.00	.....	69.47	191.47	2,511.55
Lowell, First	60.50	.....	35.00	16.13	30.00	.....	31.65	13.25	.....	.....	20.00	60.50	106.03	186.53	8,362.86
McAdenville	519.82	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	52.51	.....	.....	.....	319.82	.....	52.51	372.33	2,367.76
Mission	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	935.12
Mountain Side	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	496.83
Mountain View	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	163.35
Mount Beulah	4.21	.....	9.67	17.33	11.66	.....	33.74	5.36	.....	.....	14.80	36.39	30.78	81.97	646.94
Mt. Holly, First	193.41	4.55	13.40	6.30	127.55	.....	128.17	16.00	.....	7.92	.....	359.08	138.83	497.90	5,954.36
Mount Zion	10.87	.....	10.37	.....	.....	.....	28.36	4.45	.....	.....	10.87	.....	43.18	54.05	329.03
Ranlo	223.21	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	85.71	15.00	.....	3.55	153.72	95.50	88.25	337.47	4,134.25
Sandy Plains	35.55	.....	10.41	17.85	10.00	.....	30.02	15.56	.....	12.75	17.50	66.15	48.49	132.14	809.62
Shady Grove	8.47	.....	12.72	11.80	16.30	.....	31.30	5.75	4.35	12.00	102.69	.....	.....	102.69	709.47
Tuckaseege	11.05	.....	9.60	.....	.....	.....	103.29	12.00	.....	.....	.....	11.05	214.89	135.94	1,585.25
Webb's Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	71.30
Woodlawn	139.65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	79.19	60.46	.....	139.65	950.63
TOTAL	12,256.36	46.22	474.37	393.97	464.47	90.25	3,145.80	498.83	4.35	615.04	10,845.58	3,628.75	3,515.33	17,989.66	107,829.15

TABLE VI: THE THREE AUXILIARIES B. Y. P. U's., MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND W. M. U's.

CHURCHES	Does Church have General B. Y. P. U. Organization?	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Int. Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Standard Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total No. Daily Bible Readers	No. taking B.Y.P.U. Study Courses	Total Systematic Givers All Unions	Students in college from your church	No Brotherhoods	Enrollment Brotherhoods	No. of W's. M. S.	No. of Y. W. A's.	No. of G. A's.	No. R. A's.	No. of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Organizations	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A's. Members	G. A's. Members	R. A's. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Total Enrolled in Mission Study Courses
Alexis	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	1	10	28	22	19	79	...	79	...	2	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	10	...	...	...	...	10	...
Belmont, East	Yes	1	1	1	2	5	...	8	15	17	28	68	32	36	53	2	2	1	15	2	1	1	1	...	1	4	23	25	20	...	6	74	18
Belmont, First	Yes	1	1	2	1	5	1	13	18	24	14	69	29	47	64	...	3	...	...	3	1	1	...	1	...	3	59	23	...	7	...	89	...
Bessemer City	No	...	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	35	27	62	56	17	31	1	4	...	...	4	1	1	2	1	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	26
Bethel	No	1	...	...	...	1	...	14	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bruington	Yes	...	1	1	1	3	...	...	19	24	19	62	38	45	45	2	6	...	...	6	1	...	2	...	1	4	...	...	...	...	40	11
Center View	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	1	10	20	19	20	69	39	45	64	1	7	...	...	7	1	...	...	...	1	24	...	...	...	...	24	...
Cherryville	Yes	...	1	1	1	3	3	...	19	21	22	62	24	26	28	...	8	...	...	8	1	1	1	1	1	4	48	15	...	10	12	85	37
Cramerton	Yes	1	2	2	2	7	3	14	24	40	31	109	90	99	58	2	9	...	...	9	1	2	2	1	2	8	60	40	27	14	75	216	66
Dallas	Yes	...	1	1	1	3	...	...	9	8	17	34	16	17	21	2	10	...	...	10	1	1	...	...	1	3	25	12	...	...	10	47	25
Gastonia, Calvary	Yes	...	1	1	1	3	...	...	25	18	20	63	21	30	36	...	11	...	...	11	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	12	...	...	...	12	...
Gastonia, East	Yes	...	1	2	2	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gastonia, First	Yes	...	1	3	5	9	...	...	30	78	120	228	121	120	175	3	13	...	...	13	1	1	2	2	2	8	184	16	52	22	29	303	145
Gas. Flint-Groves.	No	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	16	...	...	...	12	12	...	...	14	...	...	14	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	40	...	...	...	40	...
Gastonia, Loray	Yes	2	2	5	6	15	7	30	25	63	65	183	97	101	118	1	15	...	...	15	1	...	...	...	1	2	30	...	...	...	10	40	...
Gas. S. Marietta.	Yes	1	1	2	4	8	...	7	22	35	60	124	44	70	...	...	16	...	...	16	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	8	...	...	...	8	...
Gastonia, Temple	Yes	1	2	3	5	11	1	20	21	36	65	142	78	65	83	...	17	...	...	17	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hardin	No	1	...	1	...	2	...	25	...	16	...	41	31	37	34	...	18	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hickory Grove	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	...	...	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
High Shoals	No	...	1	1	1	3	...	...	21	13	37	71	5	19	...	...	20	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hull's Grove	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21	...	...	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Long Creek Mem.	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	...	11	12	22	11	56	27	28	46	...	22	...	...	22	1	...	...	...	1	12	...	...	...	...	12	...
Lowell, First	Yes	1	1	2	2	6	2	15	11	28	21	75	44	45	52	...	23	...	...	23	1	...	1	1	3	25	...	...	8	30	63	...
McAdenville	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	...	11	11	16	24	62	19	30	25	...	24	...	...	24	1	1	1	...	1	4	63	25	43	...	8	139	...
Mission	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mountain Side	No	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	17	...	17	...	...	...	...	26	...	...	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mountain View	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	...	...	27	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mount Beulah	Yes	1	1	1	1	4	...	10	18	12	13	53	22	...	...	...	28	...	...	28	1	...	2	...	1	4	10	...	26	...	15	51	51
Mt. Holly, First	Yes	1	1	2	3	7	...	8	12	29	31	80	54	55	58	...	29	...	...	29	1	1	2	2	1	7	74	10	34	15	15	148	33
Mount Zion	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	...	...	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ranlo	Yes	1	1	1	2	5	...	10	24	15	26	75	33	33	42	...	31	...	...	31	1	...	1	...	...	2	33	...	16	...	...	49	12
Sandy Plains	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	32	...	...	32	1	...	...	...	...	1	32	...	...	...	...	32	...
Shady Grove	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	...	...	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuckaseege	Yes	1	2	1	1	5	...	18	38	28	13	97	34	42	54	...	34	...	...	34	1	...	...	...	1	14	...	...	...	...	14	...
Webb's Chapel	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	...	...	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Woodlawn	Yes	1	1	2	2	6	...	14	8	22	20	64	39	47	38	...	36	...	...	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

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Our Church Histories

There follows a brief history of the Gaston County Baptist Association and the churches within her borders. We believe it will be of very great interest to all Gastonia Baptists as well as to many in other sections who have been and are still watching us.

Many will perhaps ask why this matter has been prepared and now included with the Minutes of our Association. This question we will answer. At the 1933 session of the Association a Historical Commission was appointed and instructed to prepare a history, such as has now been prepared, but the Commission failed to receive due co-operation from all persons concerned and the matter was delayed. At the 1934 session this matter was brought to the attention of the body again and this time a Commission was appointed and given definite instructions.

The Commission appointed by the Moderator, R. G. Mace, was as follows: Dr. J. W. Whitley, Chairman; David E. Bobbitt, F. M. Huggins, and W. T. Baucom. This Commission has performed well the task assigned to them.

This word should be said for the histories. That of the Association was prepared by W. J. Francis, of Belmont, who was our efficient and faithful Moderator for nine years. Those of the local churches have in each case been prepared by some designated person in the local church and therefore will be of very great interest to all persons locally.

It is also of interest to say that the plans of the present officials of the Association and the pastors of the several churches are that this work shall be revised each ten years and included within the Minutes. Thus keeping alive the history that Gaston County Baptists are and will be making.

Your copy of this work should be preserved for your own use and that of your children and friends after you.

W. L. WALTERS, Clerk
Gaston County Baptist Association

History of Gaston County Baptist Association

By W. F. Francis

The territory covered by the Gaston County Baptist Association was first occupied by the Sandy Creek Association, the oldest in North Carolina, organized in 1758, the Charleston Association in 1751, the oldest in South Carolina. Both these Associations sent missionaries into this territory.

The Bethel Association was formed in 1789. Long Creek Church, near Dallas, N. C. in Gaston County, the oldest Baptist church in this part of the State, was a member of the Bethel Association.

The Catawba River Association was organized in 1827. The Baptist churches along the Catawba River from the headwaters to the South Carolina line belonged to this Association.

The Broad River Association was formed in 1800. Long Church, and perhaps others in what is now Gaston County, belonged to the Broad River Association. Graham says in his history of the South Fork Association that the Baptists of the South Fork Association were decendents of the Broad River Association.

The Kings Mountain Association was organized in 1851, and began work in the territory of Gaston County; though some of the churches in the County belonged to the Broad River Association. In 1854 Long Creek Church joined the Kings Mountain Association and in 1877 the First Baptist Church of Gastonia became a member of Kings Mountain Association. Most of the churches in the county belonged to the Kings Mountain Association at this time, though some belonged to the Broad River and perhaps some to the York Association in South Carolina.

The South Fork Association was organized at Kid's Chapel, November 22,1828. Most of the churches in Catawba, Lincoln and Gaston counties belonged to this Association.

On Tuesday, Nov. 4, 1919 in the First Baptist Church in Gastonia, the Gastonia County Association was organized with the following churches, all located in Gaston County: Dallas, Mt. Beulah, Long Creek, Alexis, Belmont First, Belmont East, Gastonia, First, East, Gastonia South (Marietta) St., Loray, Hickory Grove, High Shoals, Lowell, Mayworth (Cramerton), McAdenville, Mt. Zion, Mt. Holly, Sandy Plains, Spencer Mountain, Tuckaseege, Bruington, Cherryville,

Bessemer City and Shady Grove, with a membership of 5,397. Since the organization the following new churches have joined the Association: Center View, Calvary, Hull's Grove, Lucia, Ranlo, West Mt. Holly, Flint Groves, Hardin, Bethel, Temple, Mountain View, Webb's Chapel and Woodlawn. The membership at this time had reached 8,102. These churches contributed to the Seventy-Five Million Campaign $25,379.00, to all objects $175,347.20, the Associational year ending September 30, 1923. On December 14th. the Baptist State Convention met in the First Baptist Church in Gastonia, N. C. The Seventy-Five Million Campaign was in progress when the Gaston County Association was organized. The South Fork Association had been apportioned $225,000.00 by the Baptist State Convention through its Committee. A joint committee from the South Fork Association and the Gaston County Association met and apportionment to the two Associations: giving the Gaston County $130,000.00, and the South Fork $95,000.00. The Gaston County Association pledged approximately $280,000.00. The Minutes of the Association show that up to September 30, 1925, $46,856.74 had been paid.

The figures show that the Gaston County pledged more liberally than almost any other Association in the State. Following are the figures as taken from the records kept in the Missions rooms in the archives of the Baptist State Convention in Raleigh, for the contributions to the Seventy-Five Million Campaign from the time it started, and then to the various names given to the Mission work from time to time. For the first five years the Orphanage collections were included.

Funds sent in by

		W. M. U.	Orphanage	Centennial Fund
1920	$52,131.38	$11,575.22	$.....	$.....
1921	25,708.20	10,004.23	.....	.....
1922	26,980.00	9,317.04	.....	.....
1923	25,152.52	10,026.37	.....	.....
1924	30,304.07	10,270.44	.....	.....
1925	18,285.02	5,845.48	2,521.32	.....
1926	16,403.05	8,485.97	2,468.89	.....
1927	17,446.27	7,537.60	5,252.51	.....
1928	17,868.21	9,090.54	3,683.79	3,704.39
1929	16,935.46	9,637.42	4,936.56	3,796.80
1930	13,906.70	7,841.03	3,681.62	2,203.13
1931	12,676.30	7,210.25	3,465.26	3,630.12

1932	10,894.14	5,620.45	2,120.37	558.43
1933	10,651.15	5,851.67	2,365.95	.....
1934	13,351.97	6,109.73	3,367.85	.....
1935	9,290.52	(Not made up)		
	up to Sept. 18th			

The Historical Table, found in the tabulated section of this Minute will give you the record of the year, place, preacher, Moderator and Clerk of all the meeting of our Association.

The history of any nation or community could not be written except it be written about the men and women who were instrumental in bringing to pass the things which go to make history. And so, it should not be amiss to mention a few outstanding characters who made the Gaston County Association what it has amounted to in the past and some of whom are still carrying on. The following men and women have made and are still making history for the Baptists of Gaston County Association: Rev. W. C. Barrett, Rev. R. G. Mace, Dr. J. W. Whitley, Rev. T. L. Cashwell, Rev. J. J. Beach, Rev. W. G. Camp, Rev. M. L. Barnes, Rev. C. J. Black, Rev. W. B. McClure,Rev. W. L. Walters, Mrs. H. B. Moore, Mrs. M. L. Barnes, and laymen not a few, who have stood by through the years and have rendered faithful and efficient service.

HISTORY OF THE ALEXIS BAPTIST CHURCH

Prior to the organization of the Alexis Baptist Church services were held beneath a brush arbor, located near the residence of Coleman Franklin Abernathy. Here the first Sunday School was organized and an occasional preaching service was held. Later services were conducted in the village's first public school building. Among those ministers who preached in the arbor and school house the writer recalls J. A. Hoyle, P. W. Bangle, C. M. Erwin and James Heavenor.

The Alexis Baptist Church had its beginning with the Twentieth Century. Under the leadership of Rev. C. M. Ervin the church was organized in 1903. The charter members came principally from Mt. Zion Church in Lincoln County. Coleman Franklin Abernathy, a Deacon and leader in the organization of the Church, donated one acre of beautifully elevated land in the center of his farm, on which a substantial frame structure, to which has been added four Sunday school rooms, was built. The building was complete in 1904 under the leadership of Rev. C. W. Payseur, the Church's second Pastor. The dedicatory sermon was delivered by Dr. W. R. Gwaltny of Hickory, N. C. Alexis, the village in which this church is located, is on highway No. 27, about 22 miles northwest from Charlotte.

During the history of the Church it has had fifteen Pastors, viz: C. M. Ervin, C. W. Payseur, C. A. Caldwell, C. M. Robinson, J. A. Hoyle, J. D. Moose, G. P. Abernathy, W. B. McLure, W. W. Rimmer, A. W. Setzer, W. C. Barrett, Hoyle Love, R. G. Short, W. T. Baucom and S. M. Stroup. These brethren have served faithfully with small financial remuneration, and we feel honored to have had them.

The growth of the church has been slow but constant. In thirty years our membership has increased from 22 to 233. This growth can not be estimated in number alone, as we have grown in spirituality and benevolence.

During the three decades of its life our church has given to the denomination three ordained ministers.

Rev. C. A. Lineberger was ordained in 1912. He has held very successful pastorates at Wyllesburg, Va., Drexel, N. C. and Marshallburg, N. C. At these places his building programs were outstanding. Brother Lineberger, after more than twenty years of successful ministry, has been forced to retire from active service on account of ill health.

The second member to be ordained was Brother W. F. Huggins. He held no regular pastorates, but rendered great service as a con-

secrated servant of God. Brother Huggins was a man of considerable literary attainment, poor in this world's goods but rich in grace. He died early in 1935, and was buried in the Mt. Zion cemetery.

S. M. Stroupe was the third member of the Alexis Church to be ordained for the Gospel ministry. He spent the early years of his manhood in serving his church as Sunday School Superintendent and deacon. Later Brother Stroupe attended Mars Hill College and in 1923 was ordained for the ministry. He served churches in Western North Carolina for a number of years. In 1928 he was called back to his home church and for six years has been pastor. Brother Stroupe has had the cooperation of his many friends and co-workers during his pastorate.

Our dead would be mentioned by this writer. Four of our Deacons, a greater number of laymen and one ordained minister other than these already mentioned, are worthy of special note. William H. Abernathy, Deacon, who lived within a stone's throw of the church, died November 2, 1915, his grave marked the beginning of the Church's Cemetery. His request was to be buried by the church he had loved to serve. A. A. Lineberger, Deacon, fell to his death from the tower of the church as he assisted in painting, on August 1, 1927. He was active and faithful in his unassuming way. Coleman Franklin Abernathy, charter Deacon and active in all the affairs of the church, passed quietly and unexpectedly to his reward on the night of November 14, 1931. Brother Abernathy was a loyal supporter of his church for many years. The fourth Deacon was Brother N. F. Hovis active and interested in his church, but desiring no place of prominence. Brother Hovis passed to his eternal home a few years ago and was buried with his people in the Salem Cemetery.

Among the laymen who have passed on we would mention Bro. E. V. Senter who was a loyal member. His home-going has taken a good man from us. Anderson Stroupe, a charter member, and the father of our present pastor, Rev. S. M. Stroupe, was interested in his church and remained a faithful member until his death. Among the beloved members who have departed this life was Brother Alfred Black, a Confederate war veteran, and perhaps the oldest member we have had. His great faith in God made him a good man, loved and respected. Brother. Black died January 4, 1933, at the age of 88 years.

Rev. J. M. Ballard, who for many years held membership with the Alexis Church was an ordained minister and held pastorates in Gaston, Lincoln and Catawba Counties. He was an humble ser-

vant of the Lord, and not ashamed of the Gospel of the Son of God. Brother Ballard died October 8, 1932 and was buried in the Alexis Cemetery.

Our church today moves forward. A younger generation takes up the work laid down by those who have passed away. We have a lively Sunday School under the efficient superintendency of Brother D. B. Bradshaw. It is maintained continuously and has all but attained the Standard of Excellence. We have need to be proud of our B. T. U. also. We have Adult, Senior, Intermediate and Junior Unions, active in their work. Ralph Cannon, who has recently decided to prepare for the ministry, has been the B. T. U. director. The Church's contributions grow year by year. We support the Orphanage regularly and contribute monthly to the Co-Opeative Program; and strive to be missionary in word and deed.

Submitted by,

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF EAST BELMONT BAPTIST CHURCH
June 1912—June 1935

The East Baptist Church was organized on the evening of June the 10th, 1912, in a school building in East Belmont where the Baptist of the community had been conducting a Sunday School, and different preachers had been preaching there from time to time. It was under the wise leadership of Rev. C. M. Ervin, who had preached at the school house a number of times, that the meeting was called on the night of June the 10th, 1912, for the purpose of organizing a Baptist Church. The presbytery consisted of Rev. C. M. Irwin, Rev. C. E. Beaver, Rev. J. J. Beach, and Rev. Geo. L. Mullis. C. M. Irwin was elected moderator and Geo. L. Mullis, Clerk. C. E. Beaver discussed the subject, "The officers of a Baptist Church." Geo. L. Mullis spoke on the topic, "What Constitutes a Baptist church," and J. J. Beach "The Mission of a Baptist Church." There were twenty-four who presented themselves with letters from other churches who desired to enter into this organization. The Church Covenant was read by J. J. Beach, and accepted by the candidates, and "The Articles of our Faith" were read by C. E. Beaver and approved by the body. Prayer was offered by C. E. Beaver, and the presbytery extended to them the right hand of fellowship, and declared the body a duly organized Missionary Baptist Church, and an independent body.

The Church immediately went into conference and asked Rev. C. M. Irwin to act as Moderator. The Church adopted as its name, "East Belmont Baptist Church." It then elected Rev. C. M. Irwin as its first pastor, and J. W. Montgomery as Deacon, and C. E. Houser as Clerk.

Rev. C. M. Irwin served as pastor until the end of the year, then Rev. C. E. Beaver served the Church a few months. After the resignation of C. E. Beaver in the spring of 1913 the Church called Rev. C. A. Caldwell who was serving Hickory Grove and McAdenville, and he served the church very acceptably until March 1915. Rev. Walter E. Wilson was then extended a call and he served the church very efficiently for one year. The church then placed its care in the hands of Rev. R. G. Mace as a full time shepherd, and he began his ministry the last Sunday in March 1916, and led the church valiantly and efficiently through many changing conditions until May 1934. Rev. R. L. Pruette served as supply pastor from May till the first of October 1934. At that time P. A. Hicks the present pastor took up the fallen reins.

The first building was erected under the leadership of Walter E. Wilson in 1915. This building was later enlarged by Rev. R. G. Mace. The first parsonage was erected by Rev. R. G. Mace in the fall of 1916. It was found in 1930 that the church had out grown its equipment, and under the leadership of its beloved pastor a lot was purchased on East Main Street and a large commodious brick building, costing seventeen thousand dollars, with thirty-three class rooms, and seating 550 was erected. The first parsonage had become inadequate, and the church was renting a home for its pastor, and in January 1935 the church decided to build a new parsonage. The first of February work was started on the seat of the old church building, and a beautiful eight room brick veneer building was erected costing thirty-seven hundred dollars.

The church is twenty-three years old and during its history it has ordained and sent our four ministers and licensed eight others to exercise their gifts in public speaking. The church aided in the organization of Center View Baptist Church, and gave fifteen of the charter members to the organization. It has received into its membership 617 by baptism and 864 by letter making a total of 1,481, or an average of 64 per year. The church has raised for all purposes at home and abroad $98,672.14, or an average of $4,290.09 per year. The membership at the close of the last associational year was 524.

The church was well organized under the long and fruitful ministry of Rev. R. G. Mace, and maintained a strong and healthy Sunday School, the B. Y. P. U's. were active and efficient, and the Womans Missionary Society was aggressive and faithful. The Deacons that have served the church through the years have been men of character and consecration, who have been loyal to the cause. Thus, through the tireless effort of its pastors, and the loyalty and faithfulness of its membership, the church has wrought well and achieved for itself a glorious history and developed one of the most active and aggressive churches in the Association.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Belmont, N. C.
Organized as
FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

The following will show the origin and organization of Fellowship Baptist Church.

Bruington Baptist Church having been legally dissolved, a portion of its members with letters from other churches consisting of Sandy Plains met at Jingles School house on the 4th. day of October 1874, and after reading and agreeing upon the Baptist Covenant and Principles of Faith were organized into a Baptist church by a presbytery consisting of Elders A. L. Stough, D. W. Thomason, and I. M. Hildebrand.

The Covenant and Principles of Faith agreed upon can be found in Hiscox Baptist Church Directory beginning page 152 and ending on the 177th. page.

The following is a list of members in the organization:

Names of Females	Sarah A. Smith	J. F. Rumfelt
Margaret Smith	Elizabeth Flowers	C. W. Abernathy
Sarah Abernathy		J. B. Smith
N. A. Wilson	**Names of Males**	G. W. Abernathy
C. I. Armstrong	W. F. Wilson	Calvin Flowers
E. L. J. Stowe	H. B. Wilson	Harry Croner
M. L. Sanders	J. C. Sanders	D. N. Mitchell
Rebecca Creesman	J. A. Creesman	G. H. Fite

After the church was organized it adopted:

1. Fellowship as the name by which to be known in the future.
2. Appointed Brother W. F. Wilson and D. N. Mitchell as Deacons being already ordained.
3. Appointed brethren C. H. Fite and J. B. Smith and J. A. Creesman a committee to forward building a house for worship.
4. Appointed W. F. Wilson, Church Clerk.
5. Appointed Brother G. W. Abernathy as Church Treasurer.
6. Agreed to apply to the York Association for membership in that body.
7. Appointed Brethren G. S. Fite, J. A. Creesman and I. M. Hildebrand as delegates to the Association.
8. Requested I. M. Hildebrand to write the letter.
9. Adjourned to meet the third Sunday in October.

I. M. HILDEBRAND, Pro Tem.

Third Sunday; Met according to adjournment. After reading the Scriptures and prayers the church authorized its delegates to pledge 10 cents a member for Associational Missions.

Adjourned to meet the second Sunday in November.

I. M. HILDEBRAND, Clerk, Pro Tem

Second Sunday; Met according to adjournment. After services the church proceeded to business appointing Brother Fite Moderator, and I. M. Hildebrand, Clerk.

1. Considered the propriety of calling a preacher for the ensuing year.

2. Unanimously agreed to call Elder D. W. Thomasson.

3. Proceeded to raise his salary and run the subscription up to 70 odd dollars.

4. Adjourned to meet when Brother Thomasson will give an appointment.

I. M. HILDEBRAND, Clerk, Pro Tem.

PASTOR	ELECTED	RESIGNED
D. W. Thomasson	October 4, 1874	October 1, 1881
(Organizer and founder of Church—Church joined York Ass'n.)		
P. R. Elam	March 4, 1882	Fall 1882
A. L. Stough	December 1882	August 30, 1885
J. R. Faulkner	August 30, 1885	August 28, 1887
J. A. White	November 12, 1887	March 22, 1890
J. E. McManaway	October 26, 1890	October 3, 1891
M. P. Matheny	October 3, 1891	October 4, 1896
(Church joined South Ford Association)		
D. M. Austin	November 22, 1896	November 26 1899
J. L. Vipperman	November 29, 1899	November 28, 1900
P. H. Purnell	December 2, 1900	May 10, 1906
D. M. Austin	May 10, 1906	December 12, 1909
J. L. Shinn	December 12, 1909	March 6, 1910
D. M. Austin	Supply	Supply
L. M. Hobbs	March 26, 1911	May 25, 1913
(Agitation for new church building. New church building under construction. Pastor resigned on account of ill health.)		
T. C. Holland	May 25, 1913	August 17, 1913
(New church completed and was dedicated June 22, 1913. Dr. R. T. Vann preached sermon)		
L. M. Hobbs	August 17, 1913	September 26, 1915
(East Church organized. Letters grandted to a number to join the		

new church. Withdrew from South Fork Association. Bought lot for a parsonage 1920. Parsonage completed)

F. M. Huggins.....November 14, 1915 .....March 25, 1920
G. H. Johnson.....May 23, 1920 .....June 6, 1922
L. R. Pruett.....Supply ..... Supply
S. R. Bass.....April 23, 1923 .....June 6, 1928—Death
L. R. Pruett.....Supply ..... Supply
R. A. Kelley.....December 2, 1928, ...Present Pastor

(Reorganized church and graded Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Rotation of Deacons. Many study courses. Built large annex for the growing Sunday School.)

BESSEMER CITY BAPTIST CHURCH

By John R. Rollins

The town of Bessemer City, N. C. is located in the western part of Gaston county and was chartered in the year of 1892. It was nothing more than a saw mill and a lumber plant at that time, however, shortly after the building which housed the Southern Cotton Mills (Now known as the Osage Mills) was erected, but by some reason this mill did not assume full operation until the year 1896.

Not being originally Baptist, naturally there were a few Baptist in this locality, however such men as Rev. Monroe Bridges made appointment and preached in the new village, using the vacant mill building to hold the preaching services, but later was kindly accorded the privilege of using the new Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which was accepted.

Rev. Elam, an aged Baptist minister from Cleveland County, would preach at intervals, also Rev. A. M. Ross a young minister, then pastor of the First Baptist Church of Kings Mountain began to do a little Missionary work in this new field, as the results of the labor of these men, and a few Baptist who had moved in, the Bessemer City Baptist Church was organized in the early part of the year 1897.

Rev. A. M. Ross was chosen pastor, giving the Church one Sunday each month with two services, one morning and one evening, and receiving an annual salary of $125.00. Of this amount the State Mission Board appropriated $60.00—the remainder, $65.00 to be raised by the Church.

The church continued the use of the Methodist Church building as a place of worship until the latter part of the year 1898, when the place of meeting was changed to the Methodist Protestant Church.

The first officers were as follows: Deacons, G. A. Bumgardner, J. C. Odell, Luther Devine and J. W. Williams; Church Clerk, J. C. Odell.

The Baptist seeing the need of a house of their own in which to worship, began to lay plans for the erection of a church building, in 1899 or 1900 a lot was secured as a building site. Two elderly sisters by the name of Herring, then living five miles north of town, donated some saw timber which was standing in the woods. This timber was cut by free volunteer labor, one of whom was the pastor, Rev. A. M. Ross, who also helped haul the lumber to the Church lot.

Before the first load of lumber was unloaded Brother Ross and the Brother with him uncovered their heads thanking God, and invoking His blessings on the work. However, Brother Ross did not finish the work. He felt that he should pursue his studies and preparations further, so he resigned and entered the Seminary at Louisville, Ky., shortly afterwards.

Rev. D. F. Putnam accepted a call to succeed Brother Ross and took charge of the work with the beginning of the year 1901. Immediately he continued the building program and in May following the foundations of the New Church building was laid, and in August, three months later, the congregation was worshiping in the new building. Only God knows the sacrifices made by the pastor and his little flock in those early days, and only those of us who took part in the work know of the joy there was in it. The church began to grow, the Lord was with us in a marvelous way and in less than two years from the time the foundation was laid, the building was completely paid for, and dedicated in April 1903, the dedicatorial sermon being preached by Dr. Livingston Johnson, who at that time was secretary of the State Mission Board.

Brother Putnam was a zealous man of God, declaring the whole truth of the Word without apologies. As a result, many were converted and baptized, there were great revivals and many were saved. not in the revival only, but almost at every service there would be some to baptize.

Soon after moving into the new building a Sunday School was organized, with R. C. Hawkins chosen as Superintendent.

Rev. Putnam served as pastor for four years and was succeeded by Rev. J. C. Gillespie who also was a beloved man of God, who served in an exceptionable manner until October 1906. The next pastor was Rev. J. J. Beach who began his work in January 1907—a good preacher and a successful pastor taking up where others left off and the church went forward under his leadership.

Rev. Beach was a man of the aggressive, militant type. As the church building was a frame structure of the single room type, an additional wing or room was installed to accommodate the fast growing Sunday School. The following September of 1907 the Kings Mountain Association met with this church.

The next pastor was Rev. L. M. Hobbs who served the church from November 1910 to October 1912. While has term of pastorate was not marked with unusual events the church continued to make steady progress under his leadership.

Next came Rev. D. F. Helms, beginning his pastorate in December

1912, and continuing until October 1916, a man greatly loved by his members and people generally. The church was without a pastor for some months, then Rev. D. F. Putman became pastor the second time. Another Sunday School room was added to the building. Rev. D. F. Putman offered his resignation to become effective in November 1918, but was unable to continue the pastorate until that time on acount of all church services being suspended in October 1918 by reason of an epidemic of Influenza.

Rev. A. H. Sims began the following November, 1918, and continued until May 1919, with Rev. C. A. Rhyne following, who began his work in June 1919. The church seemed to take on new life both in Spiritual and financial ways. All outstanding debts were paid, the preaching services went from two Sundays per month to full time, and a pastor's home was erected and paid for. Rev. Rhyne, however, left the church in September, 1920, and was followed by Rev. W. W. Williams. Through the efforts of this man and his wife the work of the church was thoroughly organized, with the Sunday School, Woman's Missionary Society and Auxiliaries being put on a systematic basis.

The church was crowded at each service, the Sunday School having no room to expand and the situation burdened the Pastor and the people. The need for a larger building was great, but the way was dark, with no visable means in prospect for such an undertaking. However on Sunday morning June 12, 1921, pastor Williams came into the pulpit and stated that the Lord had laid a great burden on his heart. He then made known how he had just spent a sleepless night and how the Lord had called him to lead his people in the building of a new house of worship. He announced his text from Exodus 14:15. "Speak to the children of Israel that they go forward" Psalm 127:1 "Except the Lord build the house they labor in vain that build it." He said it must be the work of faith and could not be done apart from God. After the sermon more than $2,000.00 was pledged, plans were drawn and on September 20, 1921, the first dirt was broken. It was inspiring to see a hundred or more people gathered for that early morning service. Just as the sun was rising the pastor threw the first shovel of earth from the foundation, then others until everyone had his turn—even the women threw out shovels of dirt, until quite an excavation was made. Then a fervent prayer was made asking God's blessings upon the work and workers, and afterwards each morning the pastor would gather the workers together and offer prayer in behalf of the work.

The corner stone was laid in May 1922, with fitting ceremonies, climaxed with a wonderful address by Dr. Luther Little.

Rev. Williams was succeeded by Rev. J. L. Teague who took charge as pastor the latter part of the year 1924. Mr. Teague was an orthodox and fundamental preacher, and endowed with extremely good judgement and ability, leading the work on in a safe and effectual manner. He was succeeded by Rev. Frank L. Snider March 1928. Mr. Snider being a young man full of pep and enthusiasm, stirred the church to a high point of interest. However, he resigned July 1929, and was followed by Dr. C. J. Black, in August 1929, who served until April 1934. Dr. Black, a preacher of the old school did much in the way of organizing and putting every phase of the Church's activities on a systematic basis. Dr. Black was followed by J. W. Weston, a young ministerial student, who was called only as a supply pastor for a period of four months.

The present pastor, Rev. J. Clyde Yates, began his work as a pastor January 1, 1935, with a bright outlook for the church under his ministry.

This church is considered fortunate for having had such an array of noble strong men for pastors. Attention is called also to the Sunday School Superintendents—Such men as: R. C. Hawkins, H. W. Clark, E. C. Wilson, S. S. Wells, W. E. Hull, A. S. Ballard, A. H. Mitchem, S. J. Poteet, J. B. Keeter, A. F. Briggs, J. L. Grant, A. W. Kincaid and H. L. Fowler, with T. N. Reeves now Superintendent-elect, the first five named Superintendents on this list have already passed on to their reward.

The Lord has been with this Church. Many times His presence has been manifested, many have been the refreshing seasons from His presence, and the things that go to bring encouragement to His people, yet all has not been sunshine. Often the clouds have seemingly lowered to obscure the horizon and burdens become heavy, almost to the point to invoke despair, still there are those who stand loyally by, and refuse to give up, knowing that the Lord, the great Head of the church, has promised His presence always.

HISTORY OF BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Gastonia, N. C.

The Bethel Baptist Church was organized September 26, 1926 by the Marietta Street Baptist Church and Calvary Baptist Church of South Gastonia. H. W. Baucom, who was at the time a licensed minister, from the Marietta Street church and W. T. Stowe, a member of the Calvary church, came to the Ragan community and found M. L. Capps, M. P. Bell and other church workers. These men saw the need of a Sunday school or some kind of religious worship, so they organized a Union Sunday School. This Sunday School, with W. T. Stowe as Superintendent, and M. L. Capps as Sunday School teacher, began to grow in church members from different churches and surrounding country. The Marietta Street Church saw the need of a church at the Ragan village and then decided with the Calvary church to organize a Baptist Church.

The meeting was called by H. W. Baucom who also at the meeting was elected supply pastor. The counsel of the meeting was M. L. Barnes, pastor of Calvary church, who was elected Chairman, J. M. Fagann, Secretary, Rev. P. A. Underwood, pastor at the Marietta St. church, J. S. Hawkins, H. R. Wilkins, Ed. Powell, and A. L. Cline, deacons, Rev. P. S. Barker, J. E. C. Ford, deacon, and W S. Hawkins. These men were the council for the organization. The church was organized and called Bethel because their Sunday School at that time was about Bethel. The church started with twenty-seven members, from these members they elected five deacons,, M. L. Capps, W. T. Stowe, M. P. Bell, L. R. Holland and P. A. Allen. M. L. Capps was elected chairman of the board of deacons when the church was organized and is still serving as chairman. M. P. Bell and L. R. Holland are still on the board serving faithfully. Other deacons that have been ordained by the church are, I. E. Campbell, Ed. Wall, Z. C. Tate, Lee Costner and Oscar Costner. The church has, at times, looked like it was going to be abandoned on account of members moving away, but with the faith of Rev. Baucom, M. L. Capps and the Lord's will the church survived. Rev. Baucom was pastor of the church eight years. During his ministry the church grew from twenty-seven members to eighty-six, making a total gain of fifty-nine members, his greatest success was in 1931 when he conducted a revival and baptized 30 candidates. Rev. Baucom was ordained by the Marietta Street church and the Calvary church at Bethel church and was liked by all his members.

In 1934 he resigned because he had a call to other fields and at that time the church called Blanchard Horne from Kings Moun-

tain, Macedonia Baptist Church. Blanchard Horne was one of the first candidates to be baptized when the church was organized and was baptized by P. A. Underwood at the Marietta Street church. A short while later he moved to Kings Mountain and joined the Macedonia church and became a minister and was ordained by that church. Since his ministry at Bethel the church has gained eleven members making a total of ninety-seven. Rev. Horne was baptized at the Marietta Street church and baptized his first candidate at that church about eight years after he was baptized. Although the church has not gained so much in membership it has been revived and is now one of the livliest churches that can be found. Although the people regretted seeing Rev. Baucom leave, they are glad to have Rev. Horne for their pastor. They received a blessing from the Lord was laid at the foundation of the church. The church has always held from two to four revivals a year and is trying to cooperate with the Baptist Association in every way.

BLANCHARD HORNE, Moderator

ED WALL, Church Clerk

BRUINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Bruington is one of the oldest Baptist Churches in this section of North Carolina. The first Baptist preaching in this county seems to have been done at Spencer Mt., then at Long Creek next at Hebron which was then located on the Catawba River at Abernathy's Ferry, and then came Bruington which was originally located to the right of the highway leading from Stanley to Mount Holly, not so far from the highway and about half way between the towns. Preaching was first begun here by Rev. R. B. Jones who was at that time pastor of the First Baptist church, Charlotte. The church seems to have been organized sometime during the latter part of 1853. The old minutes begin with October 1853. It was organized with sixty members. It seems to have been organized in the home of Ezekiel West who proved to be a friend indeed at this time. A small log house 20x20 was built on a lot given by Mr. West, and Robert B. Jones was called to serve as the first pastor. Elder A. J. Cansler followed him, then came the following: E. A. Poe, T. W. Upton, who had the church moved to the forks of the road just east of Stanley where the service station of Mr. P. C. Fox now stands; and then came Rev. J. A. Hoyle who was instrumental in moving the church to its present location. After Hoyle came J. M. Bridges, D. P. Bridges, J. F. Morris, Jas. Heavener, J. D. Bowen, P. H. Pernell, J. T. Newton, Charles W. Payseur, I, T, Newton, D. E. Vipperman, Robert L. Smith, W. B. McClure, G. P. Abernathy, W. W. Rimmer, Hoyle Love, O. W. Triplett, W. T. Baucom, and C. J. Black, the present pastor.

Bruington has sent out two good churches, Hickory Grove and Fellowship, now Belmont First. She has sent out two active preachers, R. L. Smith and Ellis Morris, possibly others we do not know of.

Bruington has had three houses of worship. The first was a small log house, then the log house with an additional framed end built to it. To this a brush arbor was added. A nice framed building was erected when it was moved to Stanley. This served for a number of years and was finally replaced with a nice brick building, the present house of worship. The church owns a nice seven room parsonage near the church house.

Bruington has its peculiar characteristics. The people are plain and do not like much formality. It has a most excellent choir that takes much delight in singing. Its greatest days are before it.

HISTORY OF CENTER VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

After the organization of the Acme Mill, it was seen that a Baptist Church was needed at North Belmont. Accordingly, the Executive Committee of the Association appointed the following Brethren to look after the situation: Rev. G. H. Johnson, Rev. R. G. Mace and W. J. Francis. A Sunday School was organized in one of the mill houses in the spring of 1921. Open air services were begun June 7, 1921, by Rev. G. H. Johnson, pastor, First Baptist Church, Belmont. In August of the same year, Brethren Johnson and Mace held a meeting under a tent in the grove back of the house now occupied by E. S. Auten. It was at the close of this meeting that it was decided to organize a Baptist Church. A. presbytery, consisting of Rev. G. H. Johnson, Rev. D. W. Thompson, Rev. R. G. Mace, Rev. C. L. Taylor and Rev. A. E. Teague, with deacons from the First Baptist Church and the East Baptist Church, Belmont, was called to meet August 14, 1921. On this date the church was organized with 37 members, and on October 18, 1921, the church was received into the Gaston County Association with a membership of 40.

The following were listed as charter members of the church: E. S. Auten, Mrs. E. S. Auten, J. J. Duncan, Mrs. J. J. Duncan, Sylvester Duncan, W. B. Duncan, Wrs. W. B. Duncan, R. L. Long, Mrs. R. L. Long, Hattie Heffner (Mrs. Hoey), Mary Heffner (Deceased), Rosa Lybran, Oscar Lybran, Mrs. Ola Lee, Mrs. Mollie Hermes, A. G. Lee, Will Hermes, L. B. Farrell, Mrs. L. B. Farrell, Moody Bush, Mary Stilwell, C. A. Helmns, Mrs. C. A. Helmns, Mark Skidmore, Mrs. Mark Skidmore, Mrs. Sallie Roper, Henry Roper, H. C. Murphy, Mrs. H. C. Murphy, J. W. Raines, Sloan Cherry, Mrs. Sloan Cherry, C. P. Abernathy, Mrs. C. P. Abernathy, Edith Abernathy (Mrs. Parnell), Ethel Abernathy (Mrs. Cherry), Mrs. J. W. Raines.

Rev. A. E. Teague was called as the first pastor in August 1921 and served as pastor until October 1922. During the summer of 1921, the chuch built a house in the Acme Mill village. The chuch moved from the tent to this building. During Brother Teague's pastorate, the present church site, of about an acre, was bought from R. H. Thomas for $500, Mr. Thomas giving $150, making the cost to the church $350. Church membership was increased to 68.

Rev. A. R. Holland was called as Pastor January 28, 1923. In 1923 a house was built at the cost of $2,000 to be used for the church, and converted into a parsonage. This is the house now occupied by the pastor. In 1924 another house was built for a parsonage and

was later sold to the Acme Mill Company. The Tabernacle was built in the summer and fall of 1926 at the cost of $4,100. The pastor then moved into the present parsonage, hitherto used by the church. Brother Holland resigned in the summer of 1927. During his pastorate there was a large growth in membership.

Rev. Noah was called pastor in the fall of 1927 and served nearly two years, leaving in the summer of 1929.

Rev. A. T. Cain's pastorate began in the summer of 1929. During his pastorate the Tabernacle was remodeled into the general shape of the present building.

After the resignation of Brother Cain, Rev. R. W. James served as supply until July 1931.

Rev. F. M. Huggins began his work as pastor, July 5, 1931. Durthe present pastorate 249 additions have been made to the church, with loss by death, letter, erasure and exclusion of 104, making a net gain of 145 members. 123 of these have been received by baptism. The church building has been greatly improved, the yard graded, retaining rock wall built and walks provided, and also shrubbery planted. The church debt has been reduced to $4,435. Sunday School has been departmentalized and B. T. U. and W. M. S. strengthened.

During the 13 years of the history of the church $34,067.36 has been raised for local support and $2,305.60 for missions and benevolence. Baptisms for this period were 449. The present membership is 414. The work is encouraging. Our plans are to finish the building, pay our debts, do what we can for missions and push forward in our regular church program.

CHERRYVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

By David P. Dellinger

The Cherryville Baptist Church was organized in the old Methodist Episcopal church building on Church Street in Cherryville, N. C., on the third Sunday in June, 1893. At the constitution of the church a presbytery was formed by Rev. T. Bright, Rev. M. H. Moss, and deacons and brethren from Mount Zion, Waco, and Shady Grove Baptist churches.

It is remembered that Rev. T. Bright was made moderator of the meeting and S. L. Dellinger was clerk to the body. The following members were present: D. K. Tate, T. J. Black, Clarence Tate, Will Tate, D. W. Moss, W. G. Stroup, Wesley Ross, Alfred Stroup, Mrs. Hettie Black, Mrs. Elizabeth Tate, Ollie Mae Tate, Mrs. W. G. Stroup, Sallie D. Black, Annie Black, Ibbey Black, Barbara Dellinger, Genelieu Quinn, Flora Delvaux, Mrs. Delvaux, Maggie Ross, Sarah Ross, Amantha Ledbetter, Clara Spake and Amby Hanes.

At the organization meeting the usual form Articles of Faith and System of Church Government was adopted.

Rev. T. Bright as the first pastor contracted, or arranged for by donation, a lot for the construction of the first church building. Henry Summit, perhaps the most prominent citizen in Cherryville at this time, donated this property to the church, it being near the lot on which the present dwelling house of J. W. Kendrick is situated on North Mountain Street, the deed being dated November 9, 1893. On August 14, 1894, Rev. G. M. Webb, father of Federal Judge, E. Y. Webb then pastor of this church exchanged the North Mountain Street lot for the present site. This lot containing one acre of land was deeded to J. M. C. Stroup, Ben Kendrick and T. J. Black, Trustees.

On March 14, 1898 Joseph Black and wife Frances Black made a deed for one acre of land including the Black Cemetery to the same Trustees for the use and benefit of the church, as the Baptist Cemetery. In his will the said Joseph Black bequeathed another acre of land to the church thus doubling the acreage of the cemetery. The present church site was deeded to the organization by Joseph Black and wife, Frances Black.

The building committee for the first church was elected September 8, 1894, and composed of the following members: C. P. Stroup, John M. C. Stroup, W. G. Stroup, D. K. Tate, David Moss, Benja Black and Samuel Black. The first building was a frame structure

about 40x65 feet with 18 foot story. For the most part the material for this building was donated by members and friends of the church, and practically all the work done in the same way.

The actual construction work of the present church building was begun June 14, 1920. The excavation work done and practically completed under the direction of the pastor, Rev. D. F. Putnam. It was thought the church should build a suitable building for about $30,000.00. The first call for subscriptions was made June 29, 1919, following a strong sermon by Rev. Walter N. Johnson, secretary of the State Mission Board, Raleigh, N. C., at which time $16,000.00 was subscribed. The present building when completed, taking into consideration all labor and material donated, cost about $80,000.00. From June 12, 1920 until August 7, 1921, during the construction period of the church, services were held regularly in the Pythian Hall, third floor of the First National Bank Building. The new church building was first occupied August 7, 1921, and during the day beginning at sunrise, there were seven services conducted.

The record shows that when the first church was completed there was a debt of $2.55 against the property. Upon the completion of the present building there was a debt of approximately $30,000.00 which has been reduced to $10,000.00. A total of around $50,000.00 having been paid within two years.

For about ten years this church was partially supported by the State Mission Board, in amounts ranging from $75.00 to $150.00 per year for a month to twice a month services. The membership has ranged from 24 at the beginning to an average of around 500 for the past several years. Contributions to the objects of the Convention have increased in proportion to the membership.

The pastorates were as follows: T. Bright, G. M. Webb, D. F. Putnam, C. W. Paseur, C. T. Tew, G. W. Rollins, C. M. Robinson, D. F. Putnam, J. J. Beach and David E. Bobbitt. Clerks as follows: W. G. Stroup, W. J. T. Styers, R. F. Putnam, David P. Dellinger, R. J. Dellinger, W. J. T. Styers, E. L. McGinnas, J. H. Trott, David P. Dellinger, H. H. Allen and David P. Dellinger.

This church was a member of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association until November 1919. In September 1901 it entertained said Association in a 3-day meeting with Rev. D. F. Putman pastor-host. On October 18, 1921 it entertained the Gaston County Baptist Association, having joined the said Association in 1919, with Rev. D. F. Putnam pastor-host, during his second pastorate. Dr. Putman served as pastor for more than 12 years that being much the longest pastorate. To his untiring efforts more than any in-

dividual of group of individuals the church is indebted for the construction of the present splendid building. The highest credit and praise is entended Rev. G. M. Webb, pioneer preacher, who founded and built the first church and led it even into a strong organization with its house of worship fully paid for and adquate for many years.

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF CRAMERTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Cramerton Baptist Church was organized October 9 1910, with 25 members. Rev. C. M. Erwin was the organizer, and the first pastor of the church. For more than ten years the church had no building of its own, but maintained worship in the school house, and in the theater building. In 1921 a new brick, modern church building was constructed by Mr. Stuart W. Cramer, and presented gratis by him to the Baptist congregation. The new building was dedicated August, 1921. The name of the church was changed from Mayworth to Cramerton Baptist Church in September 1921.

The following ministers have served as pastors of the church: Rev. C. M. Erwin, 1910-'12; Rev. C. A. Caldwell, 1913-'14; Rev. W. E. Wilson, 1915; Rev. D. E. Vipperman, 1916; Rev J. H. Vipperman, 1917-'18; Rev. C. L. Taylor, 1919-'20; Rev J. P. Bennett, 1921-'22; Rev. J. M. Trogdon, 1923-'25; Rev. E. V. Hudson, 1926 to the present.

During the first decade the church was very weak, and experienced difficulties in maintaining services in any degree of regularity. In fact, there was a time when it ceased to function, the organization being allowed to lapse. However, it was reorganized in 1916, and has grown ever since. In 1918 the church went from a quarter time church to a half-time one. In 1921 it was decided to have full time.

For the first ten years of its history there was but little progress. But it has always been a supporter of the cause of missions, and the orphanage. These gifts were small, but it kept alive the spirit. Also there has been maintained a good Sunday School from the first. The W. M. U. work was begun in 1918, and the training unions undertook their work in 1924. These organizations were small and at times all but died. But somehow, they were kept going.

During the last decade the church has made splendid progress. In 1926 the membership was 212; 1935 it is 594. The offering to missions have increased from $350 in 1925 to $1,408 in 1935. In 1925 the enrollment of the Sunday school was 389; in 1935 it is 661. In 1925 there was but one union for young people, with a membership of 20; now there are 8 unions with an enrollment of 161. In 1925 there was but one organization for the women, with a membership of 18; now there are 6 strong auxiliaries, and a W. M. S., with a total membership of 196. There has been maintained an average of six study courses annually in all departments of the church over a period of nine years.

HISTORY OF THE DALLAS BAPTIST CHURCH

The Dallas Baptist Chuch was organixed September 25, 1879, J. H. Booth, S. Head, James Brumfield and Dr. T. H. Pritchard constituting the Presbytery, with the following as organized members: E. H. Withers, J. R. Lewis, Mrs. Frank Jarrett, Robert Holland, A. A. Rhyne, L. P. Stowe, Mrs. L. P. Stowe, Mrs. Julia Lawing, Mrs. Margaret Farrar, E. Monroe Smith, Mrs. Isabella Ford, Mrs. Sophia Groner, Mrs. Margaret Withers, Mrs. A. A. Rhyne and Mrs. Martha J. Moore.

Among the first members received by letter or baptism after the organization were J. D. Moore, J. D. Brumfield, Mrs. S. J. Floyd, Mrs. C. A. Strain, J. C. Lewis, Miss Maggie Dobson, Miss M. Lawing and Mrs. Monroe Smith.

During the first year a building, commodious and substantial for that period, was erected.

J. H. Booth was the first pastor, serving from December 1879 to August 1881. For about one year following August 1881 the church was without a regular pastor. The second pastor was A. L. Strough, who served the church from 1882 to 1885.

Among others who connected themselves to this church in the early eighties, and who attained local prominence in Baptist affairs were: Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Brown, Mrs. L. M. Hoffman and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Durham and Mrs. Cornelia Morris.

From 1885 to 1887 the church was again without a regular pastor, but in October of the latter year J. A. White, from South Carolina, was called as the third pastor. In 1889 F. C. Hickson came to the church as its fourth pastor, serving four years, and was succeeded in 1891 by E. F. Jones who in turn was succeeded in 1897 by A. M. Ross.

Among the younger members at this time who were instrumental in forwarding the Baptist cause in the vicinity were Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Stowe, Mrs. O. F. Mason and Forrest Floyd.

J. D. Moore conducted a small Sunday School for four or five years following the organization of the church, but the first record of a Sunday School dates from July 1885. This was a union rather than a Baptist School as the list of teachers reveal the names of members of other denominations, and it existed only two or three years. The first attempt to organize a Baptist Sunday School was in 1890, the following constituting the officers and teachers: S. D. Brown, C. S. Stowe, J. R. Lewis, R. J. Durham, Mrs. O. F. Mason

and Mrs. L. M. Hoffman. The attendance was small, running from twenty to thirty.

Up to this time, and for ten years thereafter, the Baptist cause in Dallas had a hard struggle to survive, much less to grow. Too much praise cannot be given to the ever faithful remnant who remained true and loyal through it all. This effort at conducting a Sunday School also failed after a few years, so that by 1895 another reorganization was necessary. This time the interested ones were from among the same faithful few: S. D. Brown, J. R. Lewis, Forest Floyd, C. S. Stowe and Mrs. L. M. Hoffman. This school continued until the Spring of 1897 when, in keeping with the three which preceded it, also met its demise. However, in the latter part of the same year, the ever courageous and undaunted few, always anxious to see the cause prosper, seemed to have got a running start and successfully pulled over the hill. From the date of this, the third reorganization, a Baptist Sunday School has been conducted continuously and, in a measure, successfully.

While yet a small, weak and struggling congregation, in December 1898, J. L. Vipperman came to the Church as a young pastor. Being of a lovable and saintly disposition he soon won the affections of the entire membership. His wonderful knowledge of the Scriptures, his fervent and bold manner of preaching seemed to have instilled new life into the congregation. From the encouragement of his early efforts the church began upon a new era. The growth has been steady and substantial from that date.

In 1902 Brother Vipperman removed to Wilmington, N. C., the church being under the leadership of W. N. Flanders the following year, who was succeeded in 1904 by J. W. Watson.

In the latter part of 1904 J L. Vipperman came for the second time as pastor and remained until September 1909.

J. L. Shinn was pastor from October 1909 to March 1911, being succeeded by G. C. Epps, who served until October 1912.

In November 1912 there came to this church as pastor that unassuming, pious, consecrated Christian gentleman, I. T. Newton, who fed the congregation on the purest sort of spiritual food and successfully lead the flock to higher and nobler things.

In September 1917, J. L. Vipperman, for the third time became pastor, serving until October 1923.

W. T. Baucom succeeded J. L. Vipperman as pastor. During his pastorate the financial system of the church was changed so that a triple check could be made on all finances. The Sunday School of the church has remained standard since, becoming standard about

seven years ago. The church has gained more than 80 per cent under his leadership. Rev. Baucom left the church late in 1934 after giving twelve years faithful service.

Rev. Hubert Huggins became pastor of the church in June 1935. Under his leadership and with a fine spirit of cooperation among the membership may the Dallas Baptist Church accomplish that for which it was founded.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Calvary Baptist Church is located three miles south of Gastonia, on the York Road, in the heart of one of Gaston County's best textile centers. The population of the various villages nearby is something near 3,500 and is decidedly Baptist, there being somewhere around 60 per cent who either belong to the Baptist churches about us or who would join with us if they were connected with any church.

Calvary Church was organized on Sunday afternoon March 21, at 3:00, a Presbytery being called to meet at that hour for the purpose of organizing a Baptist Church. Those present and constituting the presbytery were: Rev. W. C. Barrett, Rev. W. A. Hough, Rev. C. A. Caldwell, Rev. M. L. Barnes and Rev. G. P. Abernethy and the following deacons: Joe S. Wray, W. J. Clifford, W. P. Glover, J. L. Waters, J. S. Hawkins, L. G. Redding, M. A. Harwell, W. Lee Smith, C. L. Conrad, Grier McAllister, E. A. Hurley, and A. J. Saunders. The presbytery organized by electing Rev. G. P. Abernethy as Moderator and Rev. M. L. Barnes as Secretary.

The following persons presented themselves for membership in the new organization: W. P. Lee, W. A. Marley, Mrs. W. A. Marley, R. J. Lyda, Mrs. R. J. Lyda, Erskine Lyda, O. J. Lyda, Mrs. O. J Lyda, J. O. Epps, Mrs. J. O. Epps, Lula Hovis, Virginia Hovis, Earl Willing, C. A. Sparks, Mrs. C. A. Sparks, Mrs. Alice Johnston, Ray Marley, Florence Bridges, Preston Bridges, H. M. Childress, Mrs. H. M. Childress, M. P. Harris, Mrs. M. P. Harris, Fred Harris, Horace Harris, D. L. Keller, Mrs. D. L. Keller, Lillian Hamilton, Clyde Marley.

A motion was made and carried that the church be organized and that the Articles of Faith by Pendleton be adopted. M. L. Barnes was called to the pastorate and motion was then made by Rev. W. C. Barrett that the newly organized church be recognized and accepted as a regularly constituted Baptist Church. After the passage of this motion the body adjourned with prayer by Rev. W. C. Barrett.

The first officers of the church were: Deacons, S. G. McAllister, Assistant S. S. Supt., E. A. Hurley, S. S. Sec., Miss Elsie Gardner, Treasurer of S. S., O. J. Lyda. Teachers: D. L. Keller, E. A. Hurley, Mrs. S. P. Allen, Mrs. Doris Elmore, Mrs. M. L. Barnes, Mrs. W. A. Marley, Mrs. W. C. Barber. Pianist, Miss Blanche Pearson and Chorister F. C. Patrick. W. A. Marley, Church Clerk and J. O. Epps, Church Treasurer.

The pastorate of M. L. Barnes was brought to a close on September 1, 1923. During his leadership the church went forward in

a great way. From a very small beginning the church grew during this time and all felt very keenly his going from us.

On September 23, 1923, Rev. T. P. Stanfield was called to the pastorate of our church and it was soon to be seen that there would be no less interest in the work. During his pastorate Rev. W. A. Hoffman, now pastor of Temple Baptist Church, Gastonia, was ordained to the work of the Ministry. Brother Hoffman was then a member of the Board of Deacons of Calvary Baptist Church and was a moving spirit among us. On November 15, 1925, Brother Stanfield resigned the work to become effective with December 1, 1925.

The Church extended a call on November 22, 1925, to Rev. J. M. Trogden, of Cramerton, to become pastor succeeding Brother Standfield and Brother Trogden began his work with us on December 1, 1925 and he continued his work with us until April 1, 1928 when his resignation was tendered the church.

Our next pastor was Rev. George W. Davis, now pastor of Marietta Street Baptist Church, who was called to be our leader on May 13, 1928. Brother Davis continued as our pastor for a little more than two years, resigning on September 6, 1930, to take effect sixty days later.

On January 4th. 1931, the church extended a call to Rev. J. A. Hudson, our present pastor, to become our leader and to serve the church for one-half of his time. It was soon seen that the work of our church was too great and by far too important to be content with preaching for half-time and within eight months time Brother Hudson was asked to give up his other work, then Marietta Street Baptist Church, and to devote his entire time to the work of Calvary Baptist Church.

This last move was one of the best our church has made as it was impossible to properly take care of the work with such great possibilities as ours with only one-half time preaching. Brother Hudson has proven himself a wise and capable leader for our people and the work has continued to grow under his leadership year by year. There is every prospect for a continuance of our growth under the present leadership.

Calvary Baptist Church has had many trying and extremely difficult experiences along its pathway. Chief among these being its building debt. We have a splendid brick structure with an auditorium seating capacity of about 450. The first floor is divided into class and departmental rooms. There are eleven separate classrooms and the Sunday School enrollment is now about 525. There is also

a splendidly appointed and well arranged parsonage on the Davis Park Road. The valuation of the properties are: Church Building and Grounds, $20,000.00, Parsonage, $2,500.00.

To look over our property and the community surrounding would be to have a feeling of pride but when we think of our failure at times to carry on as we should we are reminded too much of the things left undone to have a feeling of pride. We greatly need more equipment for Sunday School work and we know we shall never have these until we have sufficient faith in God to share with Him to the extent that all old obligations have been cleared.

God calls Calvary Baptist Church, and every individual within its number, to a great field that is "White unto harvest" and He does not ask us to undertake things impossible but they are nevertheless great. It is ours to answer, "Here am I, send me" and if we shall so answer our very best and happiest days are out before us.

HISTORY OF EAST BAPTIST CHURCH

Gastonia, N. C.

In the year 1900 Rev. J. A. Hoyle began conducting religious services in the school building at the Ozark Mill. A few months later, June 23, 1901, what was known as The Second Baptist Church was organized with 39 members. Those entering the organization as charter members were as follows: J. A. White, Mrs. J. A. White, John White, Mrs. John White, Clyde White, Mrs. Lilly Bridges, J. A. B. L. Hurley, Mrs. J. A. B. L. Hurley, Miss Esther Hurley, Wm. Allison, Mrs. Wm. Allison, Miss Mattie Allison, Mrs. J. E. Parrish, Mrs. W. T. Rhyne, Ida Rhyne, Miss Kate Armstrong, Miss Bright Aker, Miss Sarah Cathey, Mrs. Alice Tritt, Mrs. L. L. Lee, Lizzie Rhyne, Mrs. Laban Smith, Miss Mary Smith, F. S. Stines, Mrs. F. S. Stines, Miss Rebecca Stines, Miss Ida May White, Luther Williams, Mrs. Luther Williams, G. W. Capps, Anderson Davis, Mrs. Anderson Davis, Miss Florence Davis. W. A. Lazenby, Esther Beachum, Nancy Beachum, Lucy Davis, J. B. Caldwell.

Rev. J. A. Hoyle was called as pastor. J. A. White was elected as treasurer and J. A. B. L. Hurley, church clerk. A committee composed of J. B. Caldwell, W. T. White and Etta White was appointed to solicit funds for the erection of a house of worship.

Just two months from the date of organization, Aug. 24th, definite steps taken to secure a lot for the church building. A site, strategically located on North Church street was secured at a purchase price of $225.00 and a frame was erected. W. T. Rhyne, J. A. B. L. Hurley, J. B. Caldwell, A. Davis and F. S. Stines were elected trustees.

During the first few years the church extended annual calls for a pastor, but in 1904 Rev. J. L. Vipperman was called to succeed brother Hoyle for an indefinite time.

On May 6, 1905, the name of the church was changed from Second Baptist Church to East Baptist Church. On the same date announcement was made that all indebtedness had been met and preparation was made to dedicate the house of worship. On July 2, 1905, all notes were burned and the dedicatory sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. J. L. Vipperman. In September 1905 the church went from fourth time to half time preaching. In 1907, just six years from date of organization, the membership had grown from 39 to 248.

Following Brother Vipperman Rev. J. J. Beach accepted the work. It was during this pastorate the church received a vision of

the need of a larger and more adequate building in which to carry on the rapidly growing work. Preaching service went from half to full time and the membership grew to nearly four hundred in number.

Rev. J. W. Whitely began his work with us in February 1916. Soon afterwards plans were submitted and adopted for the erection of a beautiful auditorium and the remodeling of the old plant into educational facilities. The membership increased to more than 500 and other phases of the work advanced accordingly.

Brother Whitely was followed by Rev. T. H. King, who did a great work among us. During this pastorate the Flint-Groves church was organized in East Gastonia. About 75 letters were granted to this new organization.

In 1923 a call was extended to Rev. J. O. Fulbright. This pastorate was blessed with a number of responses to definite Christian work among the brethren. Brother J. S. Lazenby and Brother Hubert Huggins were licensed to preach. Brother Huggins has since been ordained and is now pastor at Dallas, N. C. Brethren D. W. V. Walters and Raymond Long were both licensed and ordained to the Gospel ministry. Brother Walters has been pastor at Ranlo for several years. Brother Long is now pastor in Charlotte.

In October 1927, the present pastor, Rev. T. L. Cashwell, accepted the work. During this pastorate a beautiful site was purchased on South Columbia street and a spacious parsonage erected. The old parsonage was sold and the amount applied on the new structure. The educational building has undergone many changes, adding class rooms and providing space for departmental work. The entire Sunday School has been reorganized and thoroughly graded. In September 1929 all the indebtedness against the church was raised and the present building was dedicated. The dedicatory sermon was preached by a former pastor, Rev. T. H. King.

HISTORY OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Gastonia, N. C.

The First Baptist Church was organized in 1876 with twenty-nine members enrolled. They worshipped for a while in a small one-room house that had been used previously by a colored woman for a restaurant. This building was near the spot where East Baptist Church now stands, not far from the Modena Cotton Mill. Previous to this organization, a Baptist Sunday School had been in existence for about a year, its sessions being held near, and later in the depot which at this time was located in East Gastonia.

When the C. & N. W. Ry. was built, business moved westward, and in 1862 the church began to meet in the Academy, which stood near the O. F. Mason residence on South Oakland St. For a number of years the church seemed to go down, but in 1885 it was reorganized, and a small building was erected on the corner of Long and Marietta Streets, on a lot donated by Rev. Sylvanus Head and wife. Rev. J. A. White was elected pastor, and upon his resignation Rev. F. C. Hickson served for half time. Rev. E. F. Jones was pastor from 1893 to 1896, at which time Rev. Charles H. Durham was called. The church grew rapidly and the Sunday School enrollment reached 416. Dr. W. F. Watson followed in 1899, and it was during his pastorate that the church was rebuilt on the same site at a cost of $7,000. While Dr. Watson was pastor, thirty-four members were dismissed to organize a Second Baptist Church, now East Baptist Church.

Rev. W. H. Reddish was called in 1903. Upon the death of Capt. J. D. Moore, who had been a moving spirit in the reorganization of the church, his widow, Mrs. Martha J. Moore, proposed to build a parsonage as a memorial to him if the church would furnish a lot. At this time the church purchased the lots where the present church building and parsonage now stand on Franklin Avenue and South Street at a cost of $7,000. The parsonage was built immediately (1908).

Rev. W. C. Barrett became pastor November 1, 1911. The first task which confronted him was paying for the lots which had been purchased. The church raised this money by sacrificial giving, and in April, 1914, the cancelled notes were burned before the congregation at a morning service.

Soon after the lots were paid for some of the members began to talk of building a church; however, most of them thought they were not able to build the kind of church they needed. One night,

in a deacons' meeting in 1917, Mr. H. B. Moore stated that he was carrying five thousand dollars in Building and Loan for the First Baptist Church to be used when the building of a new church was authorized. This stimulated the interest of those present and a new impetus was given to the enterprise. All began to think seriously and earnestly of building, and on a Sunday in June, 1918, pledges in Building and Loan were taken for the new church. Two hundred and eighteen shares were subscribed at that time, and it was voted to begin building in 1920. Because of the high price of building material and labor, construction was postponed and the contract was not given until October, 1921, and the work actually begun. The cornerstone was laid June 2, 1922 and on Aug. 12, 1923 the opening services were held in the new building with Dr. John E. White as speaker of the occasion. The church was formally dedicated Dec. 18, 1927.

A very important factor in the successful completion of the church was the enthusiasm and faithful work of the Ladies' Aid Society which was organized in 1919 with Mrs. H. B. Moore as president. After her service of six years, Mrs. O. F. Mason took up the work and continued until May, 1928. During this period of time the women of the church worked whole-heartedly, unsparing of their time or strength, with the result that they contributed to the church $10,000 cash, $10,000 in Building and Loan, the pipe organ, the carpet, a piano and furnishings for the Ladies' Parlor and kitchen, and in 1927 the chimes. The total of their gifts was more than $51,000, and along with this they had made their regular contributions to the 75 Million Campaign together with the rest of the church.

The development of the church was marked by securing an assistant to the pastor in 1921. Mr. H. O. Eisenhower, of Selma, Ala., was employed and served most acceptably and efficiently until his resignation in 1927. He was followed by Rev. Owen W. Moran, who served until January, 1929.

The Men's League was organized in 1922 with about 30 members. Its work was the beautifying of the church grounds and furnishing song books, sheet music, etc. for the Sunday School and church. It did good work for a number of years, and the fine planting of shrubbery near the church shows the results of their activity.

The Baptist State Convention met with this church in 1923. Great numbers were present but were well taken care of in the new building. Dinners were served in the basement of the church.

The young peoples' work (B.Y.B.U.) was organized by Mr. Bar-

rett, a Senior Union being formed in 1912, a Junior Union in 1920 and an Intermediate Union in 1922.

The Woman's Missionary Society was organized in 1902 with fifteen charter members and Mrs. W. F. Marshall as first president. She was followed after one year by Mrs. C. V. Blake, who served thirteen years. There are now more than 200 members, and all the Junior organizations are complete.

The Sunday School is an A-1 organization with all departments functioning in accordance with the requirements for a Standard S. S. set up by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

In September, 1926, it was decided that the Board of Deacons should consist of twenty-one deacons and be divided into three groups. One group was to serve one year, one group two years, one group three years. Then each following year seven new deacons would be elected to take the place of those retiring.

Rev. W. C. Barrett resigned in September, 1927 and preached his last sermon here January 1, 1928 after sixteen years of service. Dr. B. A. Bowers was called from Broadway Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn., and began his service the first Sunday in June, 1928.

During Dr. Bower's pastorate of seven years there have been 970 additions to the church. The prayer meeting service has been stressed and there is an unusually large attendance.

This church is one of four that led the state in gifts to the Co-operative Program last year. All things point to a continuation of the splendid growth and development of the church under the forward-looking guidance of our present pastor.

HISTORY OF FLINT GROVES BAPTIST CHURCH

In spring of 1921, A. O. Clemmer and Mrs. J. L. Brackett were sent from the East Baptist Church to hold Sunday School for small children in this community.

In fall of 1921, T. H. King, who was pastor of East Baptist Church, called on C. J. Black to hold a revival meeting in Flint-Groves mill community.
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In fall of 1922, Rev. T. H. King and Mrs. Beeler Moore organized a Sunday School in this community, and used the Public School Buildings. Rev. King preached one Sunday afternoon in each month through the summer months.

In fall of 1922, H. E. Waldrop began to preach two Sundays each month for the Baptist people of this community and fifty-one members of East Baptist Church asked for letters of dismission to organize a Baptist church at this place. On March 30, 1923 in the Flint Community Hall the Baptists of this community met and organized a Baptist Church. There were fifty-six charter members. V. M. Angley ,Mrs. V. M. Angley, A. M. Black, Mrs. A. M. Black, Mrs. A. C. Baker, Lester Baker, Mrs. Lester Baker, Clara Baker, Paul Baker, Pearl Baker, E A. Bradshaw, Mrs. Artee Bradshaw, E. N. Bradley, T. S. Clark, Mrs. T. S. Clark, Ida Clark, Flore Clark, Focian Clark, Theodore Clark, Forest Clark, William Cox, Mrs. W. R. Cox, Ruth Cox, Will Cloer, Mrs. Will Cloer, P. A. Cline, Mrs. P. A. Cline, C. B. Crook, Mrs. Etta Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Elmore, S. A. Fort, Mrs. S. A. Fort, G. W. Hartsin, Gladys Hartsin, Mrs. Minnie Hedrick, Dan Keever, Mrs. Dan Keever, Mrs. Louise Kincaid, S. B. Laws, Mrs. S. B. Laws, Mrs. Lloyd Long, Mrs. Dan Lingerfelt, J. L. Lanier, Mrs. T. E. Nantby, L. B. Penley, Mrs. L. B. Penley, Mrs. L. J. Penley, M. T. Saunders, Mrs. M. T. Saunders, Mrs. L. H. Stowe, Fannie Stowe, Bertie Stowe, W. R. Williams, Mrs. W. R. Willams, L. A. Williams.

The Presbytery composed of the following: Rev. J. L. Vipperman, Chairman; Rev. C. G. Black, Clerk; Rev. W. M. Cook, Rev. H. E. Waldrop, Deacons J. L. Price, Van Fisher, of East Baptist Church, and W. H. Jenkins of Long Creek Memorial Baptist Church. Articles of Faith were read by J. L. Vipperman and Church Covenant was read by C. J. Black, and both were adopted.

The Presbytery then asked what name this Church was to have. It was named Flint Groves Baptist Church. The following

officers were elected: Rev. H. E. Waldrop, Pastor; S. B. Laws, Clerk; P. A. Cline, Treasurer. S. B. Laws, L. P. Baker, and L. B. Penley were elected Deacons. Ordination service was held in the Flint community Hall on April 26, 1923.

Rev. H. E. Waldrop was pastor from the Organization until September 24, 1923. Services were held in the public school building of the Flint and Groves Mills. During his pastorate the Deacons were elected as trustees. They bought three lots on which to build a church. These lots cost $1,200.00.

Rev. M. L. Barnes was pastor from September 30, 1923 to November 1, 1926. During his pastorate a building committee was elected to consider the cost and erection of a building. This committee was composed of J. L. Price, S. B. Laws, L. P. Baker, who employed J. E. C. Ford to erect a frame building 40 by 60 feet. Work was begun on March 24, 1924 and completed May 16, 1924. Also in August 1925 there was an addition built to the rear of the church for Sunday school rooms. The cost of these buildings was about $2,087.

Rev. J. W. Kesterson was pastor from December 5, 1926 to August 21, 1927.

Rev. A. A. Haggard was pastor from August 28, 1928 to May, 1929. During his pastorate two more lots were bought and an addition was built to the main Auditorium 50 by 50 feet. This was also built under the supervision of J. E. C. Ford. Cost of the lots and building was about $3,500.

Rev. B. F. Austin came to us October 6, 1929 and is our present pastor. The church has recently been brick veneered. The first brick was laid March 14, 1935. Work was finished March 30, 1935. The cost of this was $1,000.

The following compose the present Board of Deacons: W. D. Jenkins, A. L. Cline, J. F. Reep, T. E. Nantz, T. L. Bradshaw, M. R. Thomas, George Kale. Trustees are G. C. Hampton, T. E. Nantz, W. D. Jenkins.

Our present membership is 352.

HISTORY OF LORAY BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. J. A. Hoyle began preaching in Arlington School house. He preached here for a year or more. He held some protracted meetings here. He then organized the church on June 4, 1905. The charter members were Julia Harry, Harriet Settlemeyer, Ida Pearson, Susan Scism, Lou Chaney, Carria Hoyle, Anna Grady, Nevada Nolen, M. F. Summy, Martha Fisher, Mrs. Sam Smith, Mrs. J. C. Smith, Mrs. M. L. McKensie, S. L. Smith, J. C. Smith, J. A. Hoyle, James Scism, E. C. Fisher, M. C. Mauney, R. L. Chaney, J. S. Hawkins, L. A. Reynolds, Mrs. L. A. Reynolds. The church was named West Franklin Avenue Baptist Church. Later its name was changed to Loray Baptist Church.

Brother J. A. Hoyle served the church as its first pastor for about three years. He built the present auditorium. He was followed by Rev. J. D. Moose who served for a little more than two years. The membership increased from 100 to 330. He was folowed by C. M. Robinson who served the church for two years. He paid off all debts, installed a heating system, equipped the church with new pews and painted the church building. He was folowed by Rev. A. T. Stoudenmire who served the church for fifteen months. He paid the church out of debt and built four Sunday school rooms. He was followed by Rev. G. P. Abernathy who served the church for five year and five months. He built several Sunday school rooms and built a six room pastorium. The membership was greatly enlarged during this patorate. He was followed by Rev. C. J. Black who served the church for a little more than four years finishing his work the first Sunday in January, 1925. During his pastorate the Sunday school was greatly enlarged becoming one of the largest in the Southern Baptist Convention at that time. Along with this the church building had to be enlarged to care for this school and the congregations for the preaching services. The B. T. U. was enlarged until there were four Unions—two senior, one Intermediate, and one Junior. The W. M. U. Work also grew until it was one of the largest in the Asosciation. Brother Black laid great stress on Evangelism and increased the membership beyond the 1,200 mark. He was followed by Rev. J. W. Whitley, the present pastor who has served the church for more than ten and one-half years. He inherited an indebtedness on the church of more than three thousand dollars. He also inherited a leaky roof. The roof was taken care of in his first meeting with his board of Deacons. The name of the church stood low in the credit list in the

city. Within the first year or so, under his leadership, the church paid off this indebtedness and made its name A-1. He at once lead the church in the installation of a modern heating system—one of the best in the city at a cost of $3,200. Four pianos were purchased to take care of the work. In September, 1925, he re-

JULIUS W. WHITLEY, Ph. D.
Who has led Loray Baptist Church for more than one-third of its existence.

organized the Sunday School putting it on a standard basis. It has attained the Standard of Excellence nearly every year since that time. In January, 1926, he re-organized the B. Y. P. U. department (now called B. T. U.) and greatly enlarged it At one time we had seventeen Unions in our organization—the largest in the State. This department is known far and wide for the good work it has done and is doing. He led the Church in changing its financial system. The all inclusive budget has been installed and has worked wonders in the financial side of our church. The depression and

the shutting down of Loray Mills put it to the test. It has come through with flying colors. The church does not owe anything. He also led the church in enlarging its board of deacons to twenty-one which serve as a rotating system. Each deacon serves for three years making the term of seven expire each year and these cannot be re-elected until they have been left off the Board for at least one year. This was one of the greatest forward steps ever taken by the church. The Board has been divided up into workable committees and each committee it supposed to do the work assigned to it. Under his leadership the church building has been remodeled to take care of a Standard Sunday school and B. T. U. work. The pastorium has also been remodeled. During his pastorate the Church sponsored the work in West Gostonia making it an arm of Loray Church. After eleven months of Sunday school, B. Y. P. U. work, and preaching services led by Rev. W. A. Hoffman, the Temple Church was organized. It is now a huskey youngster of more than 550 members with Rev. W. A. Hoffman leading the work there. During the pastorate of Brother G. P. Abernathy, Loray Church sponsored the work at Ranlo Station which resulted in the organization of Ranlo Church. Loray Church, during the pastorate of Brother Abernathy, cooperated with the First and East Baptist church in organizing and sustaining the South Marietta Baptist church.

During the present pastorate, the church has received 1,759 members. Between six and seven hundred of these have come by baptism. The church has also put an intensive training program both in the Sunday school and B. T. U. departments. It has received more awards than any church in the State. At one time more than 50 per cent. of its Sunday school officers and teachers were Gold Seal teachers. It has finished the diploma course in the New Sunday School Study Course. The information and inspiration imparted in this great training program carried on through these ten years has brought about a spirit of peace and harmony and enthusiasm that this church never knew before. As we look back over our history of 30 years, we would pause and say, "What hath God Wrought." Praise his name.

During these thirty years, Loray Baptist Church has given the following full-fledged Baptist preachers to the kingdom work: J. J. Waldrop, R. G. Short, Oscar Bolch, Odus McGinnis, L. G. Redding and Hubert Huggins.

A SHORT HISTORY OF THE SOUTH MARIETTA STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

With a desire to expand its work for the Lord, the First Baptist Church, of Gastonia, organized a Sunday school in the spring of 1910 in the old Clara Mill School House on East Fifth Avenue, with Mr. J. L. Price as Superintendent. Mr. Price served for more than a year and was succeeded by Mr. Will Lanier, who held office for about a year and a half before he moved away, and was succeeded by Mr. T. C. Smith. During the first few years of its existence the school was moved to the Dunn Mill Hall on South Oakland Street.

Under three years' leadership of Mr. Smith, with the cooperation of his fellow-laborers, the school grew and prospered and became the nucleus around which was later organized the South Gastonia Baptist Church.

For more than three years the late Dr. W. C. Barrett, then pastor of the First Baptist Church, preached once each month in the Hall. For seven years he and other workers worked faithfully in this field without one cent for their services.

Dr. W. C. Barrett, Dr. J. W. Whitley, then pastor of the East Baptist Church and Rev. George P. Abernathy, then pastor of Loray Baptist Church, agreed to stand by the organization of the work in the South Gastonia territory (as the territory about the Hall was then known) and took the matter up with the State Mission Board of which Dr. Walt N. Johnson was then Secretary. After much correspondence an agreement was reached in which the Mission Board would pay fifty dollars a month toward the salary of a worker for the field. The three churches; First, East, and Loray, agreed to underwrite twenty-five dollars a month in addition to that which was given by the Mission Board, and in June, 1917, Rev. J. C. Kanipe, a Junior at Wake Forest, came on the field. Having held services for some time and made a survey of the field, he found the time was right for the work to go forward.

About the last of August, 1917, Rev. W. A. Hough was called to the field, and on October 7th a church was organized with 42 members (the number increased to 63 before the charter was closed) and without a dollar with which to build.

In January, 1918, the church bought a home on Sixth Avenue for its pastor, the late Col. C. B. Armstrong having paid much of the rent on the Pastor's home until that time. In March of the same year Col. Armstrong donated a lot just off Marietta and Eighth

Streets, and the little band of church members began planning and soon secured, through the assistance of Col. Armstrong, the material with which to build the house of worship.

A handsome new $18,000 house of worship was erected, and the first service was held in it on the first Sunday in March, 1919.

The church prospered under the leadership of the Rev. Mr. Hough, who resigned his work in March, 1921, leaving the church with 180 members. He was succeeded by Rev. W. P. McCarter, from the Second Baptist Church of Mount Airy, N. C.

In June, 1923, the church decided to make room for the ever increasing Sunday school department. An annex, 42 by 52, two stories high was built. This houses the Sunday school unto the present date (July, 1935). With the completed annex the church was valued at $32,000.

During this time the territory south of the church had grown so much that the territory in which the church was located was no longer thought of as South Gastonia, so the church voted to take on a new name, South Marietta Street Baptist Church being chosen. An evangelist coming to this church to hold a meeting explained to the conductor on the train that he was going to the South Gastonia Baptist Church, and was carried three miles south of the church. From there he had to hire a taxi to get back to the church. It is said that this incident had much to do with the changing of the church's name.

For four years the Rev. McCarter served as pastor, resigning in 1925. He was succeeded by the Rev. P. A. Underwood, who labored faithfully and successfully and left the church in November, 1926 with a graded Sunday school and a greater interest in the young people's work than ever before.

The Rev. J. H. Boggs was called to the pastorate from the Brookford Baptist Church. The Rev. Mr. Boggs served the church for a little more than two years and was succeeded by the Rev. J. A. Hudson who came to the church in March, 1929, and served through September, 1931. During the time between the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Boggs and the coming of the new pastor the services of the Rev. Mr. O. H. Bolch, then a ministerial student at Boiling Springs, was secured as supply pastor.

When the Rev. Mr. Hudson resigned the work of this church to become the full-time pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church in South Gastonia, which he was already pastoring part time, the Rev. George W. Davis was called to the Marietta Street Church, be-

ginning his work in the fall of 1931. At present Rev. Mr. Davis is serving the church and is witnessing a steady growth.

The church now has a membership of 423. It has a Sunday school department with an enrollment of 378 and an average attendance of 267. There are eight B. Y. P. U's. in the training service of the church including 1 Adult, I Senior, 2 Intermediates, 3 Junior, and 1 Story Hour Union. The membership of these Unions totals near a hundred. The W. M. S. has a membership of 20. In February, 1934 a special treasurer for the Sunday school was elected. Since that time, until June, 1935, a Sunday school debt of $284 was brought down to $170. Other finances of the church are being cared for in a greater way than heretofore.

Church officers are: George W. Davis, Pastor; George A. Howell, Chairman of Board of Deacons; Mrs. Beatrice McCarter, financial Secretary; George A. Howell, Treasurer; C. L. Rickman, Director of Music; Mrs. R. E. Withers, Pianist; W. L. Hawkins, Assistant Pianist; W. R. Glover, Church Clerk.

At a recent business meeting the rotating system of deaconships was decided upon and is to be inaugurated soon.

Officers of the Sunday school are: M. C. Sowell, Superintendent; E. W. Teague, Associate Superintendent; Robert F. Caldwell, General Secretary and Treasurer; E. W. Teague, Classification Officer; Mrs. Mae Champion, Superintendent Cradle Roll Department.

Officers of the B. T. U. are: C. S. Withers, General Director; Raymond F. Johnson, Associate Director; Miss Elizabeth Howell, General Secretary.

HISTORY OF THE TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Temple Baptist church, located in West Gastonia, began as a mission work fostered by the Loray Baptist Church. For some time there had been a growing impression of the need of more definite religious work in the extreme western part of Gastonia; there being a large number that were not attending any church. On the first Sunday in July, 1925 the first service was held in the Rhyne's chapel, a building owned by the Lutheran Church of Gastonia, this building having been rented for one year for this purpose. From the above date until June, 1926 regular preaching services were held each Sunday evening, and prayer meeting each Tuesday evening, and regular B. Y. P. U. work was carried on. A large number were received into the fellowship of the Loray church through these services. This work was carried on by W. Arthur Hoffman, who at that time was the assistant pastor of the Loray Baptist Church.

In the summer of 1926 the work and interest had so grown that it was generally felt that the time had arrived for the organization of a church. On Sunday afternoon, June 7, 1926, a council was called to meet for the purpose of organizing the church. The following ordained ministers were present and composed the council: J. W. Whitley, pastor of the Loray Baptist Church; C. A. Caldwell, pastor of the McAdenville Baptist Church; M. L. Barnes, of the Ranlo and Flint-Groves Baptist Churches; J. M. Trogden, of the Calvary Baptist Church; R. G. Short, of the Spencer Mountain Baptist Church; W. L. Walters, of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church; and W. Arthur Hoffman of the Loray Baptist Church; also a number of deacons from various Baptist churches were present. At this time the church was organized with one hundred and twenty-one charter members.

In the first business meeting of the newly organized church it was given the name of the Temple Baptist Church. The following oficers were elected: W. Arthur Hoffman, pastor; Otto Perry, church clerk; Arthur Russell, church treasurer; S. B. Laws, Sunday school superintendent.

The members of the first Board of Deacons were: S. B. Laws, Jake Hendrix, L. L. Willis, V. B. Shepherd, F. C. Plemmons and R. F. Harrill.

On the first Sunday in July, 1926, the church began a meeting in a school house owned by the Mutual Mills until arrangements could be made for a permanent meeting place The church met in this building until October, 1927, when the church bought from the

Lutheran Church the building that they had first used. This building was remodeled during the fall of 1928 to furnish adequate room for their growing work.

There has been an encouraged growth from the very beginning. At this time (1935) there is a membership of 585, with well organized Sunday school and B. T. U. departments. W. Arthur Hoffman is still serving as pastor; present members of the Board of Deacons: Lester Thornburg, L. L. Welis, T. N. Young, V. B. Shepherd, Frank Hedrick, Otto Perry, Robert Smith, Lester Broom, Walter Fox, Z. V. Dellinger, Hazel Dellinger, Joe Bryant.

HARDIN BAPTIST CHURCH

Hardin Baptist Church was organized November 13, 1922.

Charter Members

J. M. Friday
L. D. Lineberger
Mrs. Marion Hester
John Torrence
Mrs. Mraion Hester
Miss Maggie Eason
Mrs. Foy Mull
J. J. Friday
Edgar Lineberger
Lloyd Hooks
Mrs. L. D. Lineberger
Mrs. J. M. Huggins
Miss Jennie Hester
Robert Lineberger
Wesley Hester
J. M. Huggins
Mrs. Wesley Hester
Mrs. W. C. Eason
Mrs. Jess Riddle

First Pastor Rev. C. A. Abernathy

The membership has grown from nineteen in 1922 to 142 in 1935.

The present brick church building was erected in 1928. Rev. H. W. Baucom is the present pastor.

HICKORY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Hickory Grove was intended to be Bruington Baptist Church moved out on a good road. When old Bruington had about rotted down, so much so that it was about impossible to hold services in it, and the roads had either been shut up with fencing, or changed so that the old meeting place was inaccessible, fifty of the members decided that they would have a better meeting place. The church at this time just had seventy-six members, and at their regular conference fifty of these voted to give one another letters to organize another church. This left twenty-six members at Bruington, but the next time they held conference, they excluded the fifty who had taken letters, because they had voted to give them to one another. This matter was taken to the next session of the Association for settlement, and the Association decided that the new church was organized in regular form and order, and it was received as such into the Association.

The place selected by the fifty who took letters to organize was on the road leading from Stanley to McAdenville. A nice location was selected and the organization was arranged for accordingly. The brethren met April 12th, 1873 with the following presbytery to put them to work: Elders James Brumfield, E. A. Poe, Evander Davis, and J. H. McClure. Elder Brumfield was elected moderator, and Elder Poe, Clerk. The door of the church was opened and the fifty presented letters from Bruington, and after the Articles of Faith and the Rules of Order, with the Church Covenant, were read and adopted, they were declared a regular Baptist church. The church now has one hundred and sixty-three members. Elder James Brumfield was called at the organization to serve as pastor. He served until December 5th, 1874, when Elder George J. Wilke took charge and served until November 25th, 1876. Elder P. A. Whitner was called at this time and served until December 8th, 1877. Elder J. H. Booth was called to succeed Elder Whitner and served until December 11th, 1880. Elder John F. Morris was called to succeed Elder Booth and served in an acceptable manner for ten years. He began his pastorate December 11th, 1880, and served until July 26th, 1890. Elder Mr. Elam was called to succeed Elder J. F. Morris. He was called July 26th, 1890 and served until October 26th, 1890. Elder W. B. McCure was called for the next pastor October 26th, 1890 and served until July 26th, 1891. Elder J. F. Morris succeeded Elder McClure with a second term as pastor. He was called July 26th, 1891, and served until June 18th, 1892. Elder

John J. Payseur was the next pastor of Hickory Grove. He was called June 18th, 1892, and served until September 24th, 1892. Elder W. B. McClure served a second term, being called September 24th, 1892 and served until October 22nd, 1894. When Elder J. F. Morris was called to serve a third term as pastor. He was called October 22nd, 1894, and served until September 17th, 1898. Elder W. B. McClure was called to serve a third term September 17th, 1898 and served until November 2nd, 1901. He was followed by Elder B. L Hoke, who was called November 2nd, 1901, and served until October 4th, 1902. Elder W. B. McClure was called to serve a fourth term October 4th, 1902, and served until October 20th, 1912.

Rev. C. A. Caldwell was called to serve the church as pastor October 29th, 1912, and served until November 21st, 1914. He was succeeded by Rev. Walter E. Wilson, who was called immediately after Rev. Caldwell resigned and Rev. W. B. McClure was called for the fifth time as pastor of the Hickory Grove Church. He is pastor of the church at this time and will remain so as long as he is able to serve, or as long as he will serve the people.

Hickory Grove has a good house of worship with Sunday school rooms. The first house was built the next year after the church was organized. That was in 1874. The first house was used until 1905 when the second house was built. It took two years to complete it. It is the house they now worship in except that it has built two rooms to it since that time. The new house cost $1,200 and the new addition cost about $850. The house has been repainted recently.

Rev. W. B. McClure served as pastor from 1915 until his death in 1932. He was succeeded by T. H. Roach in 1932, and he is now our pastor. At the present time we have about 200 members. We have a good Sunday school and have preaching twice a month.

H. W. ABERNATHY, Clerk

HIGH SHOALS BAPTIST CHURCH

High Shoals Baptist Church was organized on October 19, 1902, by Rev. J. A. Hoyle and Rev. W. B. McClure. The early records of the church have not been preserved and from 1903 to 1911 there is no record except that which is given from memory of members. The first house of worship was built in 1903 at a cost of $1,500.00. The membership is given as eighty-seven with the following acting as Trustees at the time: R. L. Chaney, W. W. Berry, W. L. Garrison, R. J. Garrison, and J. A Hoyle. Rev J. A. Hoyle was the first pastor of the church.

The church building was blown down by storm and was rebuilt in 1911 under the leadership of Rev. R. D. Caroll, then pastor of the church, at a cost of $1,405.38. At this time R. J. Dellinger was secretary and treasurer and the following were Deacons: J. E. Chronister, W. R. Rhyne, L. W. Hartgrove, E. L. Carpenter and W. A. Whitener. W. R. Rhyne was superintendent of the Sunday school.

Rev. R. D. Carroll resigned as pastor of the church on October 7, 1912 and Rev. G. P. Abernathy was called to succeed him and served the church until October 15, 1915. Rev. J. D. Moose was next called to the leadership of the church and served until September, 1918. Rev. J. J. Waldrop was next called and served the church as pastor for one year.

From 1919 until 1925 we are again without definite records. During this time the following served as pastors: W. W. Rimmer, R. G. Short, Albert Campbell, Ed Brown, J. B. Payne and C. C. Crogan.

Rev. Albert Campbell began his second pastorate with us on the first Sunday of August 1935 The following are now officers: S. A. Wililams, treasurer, O. H. Dillard, church clerk, J. S. McFadden, Sunday school superintendent. Deacons: C. P. Abernathy, Austin Ballew, O. H. Dillard, R. L. Vanoy, G. L. Moss and J. S. McFadden, chairman.

Number of members now on roll 182.

The mill management has recently changed and our people are looking forward to greater things for the Lord in our community.

O. H. DILLARD, Church Clerk.

HULL'S GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

This church is located in Lincoln county, North Brook Township. Eleven miles from Lincolnton, N. C. on No. 27 Highway. Vale is the nearest P. O. which is four miles.

This church is called Hull's Grove, in honor of Bennie Hull, who was the first one to be buried there.

The church was organized September 11th, 1897. Rev. B. F. Newton, of Casar, N. C., was its first pastor. He served from 1897 to 1901. The next Pastor was Rev. Cicero Queen. He served two years—from 1901 to 1903. Rev. J. M. Bridges served during 1904. Rev. B. F. Newton was called back for the year 1905.

Rev. P. A. Bangle was called in 1906, and served two years—1907 and 1908. Rev. W. F. Hull was called in 1909, and served one year. Rev. B. F. Newton was called again in 1910 and served two years. Rev. J. A. Hoyle was called in 1913 and served two years. Rev. S. A. Stroup was called in 1916 and served one year. Rev. J. A. Hoyle was called back in 1917 and served until his death in 1918.

Rev. J. M. Ballard was called in 1918 and served 6 months. Rev. G. C. Ivery was called in 1919 and served one year. Rev. D. F. Putnam was called in 1920 and served one year. Rev. A. W. Setzer was called in 1921 and served until his death, 1922. Rev. L. C. Douthit was called in 1922 and served three years till 1925. Rev. C. M. Robinson was called in 1926 and served until 1930. Rev. G. C. Harris was called in 1930 and served two years, to 1932. Rev. J. L. Street was called in 1932

Rev. J. J. Waldrop next served as pastor and he was succeeded by Rev. A. L. Campbell, the present pastor.

LONG CREEK MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Long Creek Baptist Church had its beginning back in other days—days where "the memory of man runneth not." All early records of this church have been lost, but there was a re-organization in 1772 and the records are fairly accurate from that time on.

In the oldest part of the church cemetery there are graves with markers dated as far back as July 28th, 1728, and these graves are near where it is said that the first old log church was built. It is said that the first church building was used many years before it was outgrown and another was built.

Mrs. Catherine Campo, the oldest member of this church, has just celebrated her 95th. birthday, and she states that the old log church was an old old building when she was a little child.

The first frame building was erected under the leadership of Rev. G. M. Webb, father of our own Federal Court Judge, Edwin Yates Webb. With the assistance of Mrs. Lovina Baldwin funds were raised to build a new church. As an inducement Mrs. Baldwin told the people they were planning to build a church with glass windows. The money was raised and the church was built.

In 1917 Rev. J. L. Vipperman, D. D. was called as pastor. Under the fine leadership of Doctor Vipperman a fine brick building was erected on the hill overlooking the sites of the old churches and the cemetery. It is a modern building with a seating capacity of 1,000. Memorial windows were put in this building and it is now called the Long Creek Memorial Baptist Church.

Rev. C. E. Phillips, D. D. was called to this church in July of 1930 and he is still pastor. One wing of the church has been enclosed, shrubbery has been planted in front of the church, and other improvements have been made on the building and the grounds. The church has a good Sunday school, four Baptist Training Unions, and the W. M. U. will be reorganized within the next two weeks. The church is making a monthly offering to the Baptist Orphanage, at Thomasville, N. C. The offering to Missions has increased, and the little indebtedness is being reduced and will soon be paid in full.

HISTORY OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL

By R. L. Reid

On September 21, 1892 a little band of worshippers under the leadership of Rev. M. P. Matheny, met in the Lowell Presbyterian Church and organized the Lowell Baptist Church which was admitted into the South Fork Association that same year. With forty-six charter members the church appointed a building committee one month after the date of its organization, and in six months the building was erected and paid for. In August of 1893 the church held its first revival meeting with preaching by Rev. W. C. Wilkins, of Charleston, S. C. In this meeting there were seven additions by baptism and several by letter. Since the date of the organization the church has had the service and leadership of the following pastors each of which worked faithfully and untiringly and won many souls to Christ and added many names to the roll of the church:

Rev. M. P. Matheny	Rev. I. T. Newton
Rev. E. F. Jones	Rev. C. Q. Rhyne
Rev. B. M. Austin	Rev. J. J. Waldrop
Rev. J. L. Vipperman	Rev. W. N. Cook
Rev. B. L. Hoke	Rev. L. B. Jessup
Rev. J. A. Hoyle	Rev. Rush Padgett
Rev. E. J. Edwards	Rev. L. P. Barnette

For ten years from the organization in 1892 the church continued as a quarter-time church with preaching only once per month. But in 1902 when a call was extended to Rev. B. L. Hoke the church passed from quarter-time to half-time with preaching on the first and third Sundays in each month. In 1922 the Church became a full-time church and purchased a parsonage and moved the pastor on the field. Rev. J. J. Waldrop was the first pastor to occupy the new parsonage and to fill the pulpit to full time. In the latter part of 1927 it became evident that a new church building was necessary to take care of the continued growth of the church. So in 1923 under the direction of Rev. L. L. Jessup a new modern building was erected at a total cost of about $40,000.00. About $18,000.00 of this amount was paid during Brother Jessup's pastorate, leaving an indebtedness of $23,000.00 at the close of his term. Then came the depression, and for three years the church struggled to keep the interest paid on the debt. But for the past three years some changes have come about and the church has prospered better. During this time the church has been served by pastor L. P. Barnette, and has built four new Sunday School rooms, completed and seated the balcony, and

reduced the debt about $5,000.00. The church now bears the name of the First Baptist Church of Lowell which name it assumed in 1928 when another Baptist church was organized in this town.

The Church has now a building and ground worth $45,000.00, and a membership of 410, a Sunday School enrollment of 391, a B. T.U. membership of 75, and an indebtedness of $17,500.00. For the year ending Oct. 1, 1934 the church gave to all our causes the amount of $5,226.31. Rev. L. P. Barnette is the present pastor, and R. L. Reid is the Sunday School Superintendent.

HISTORY OF MOUNT ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

The present site of Mount Zion Church has been a place of worship for more than one hundred and twenty-five years. The same being testified to by old tombstones in the cemetery. Denominations other than Baptists, have worshipped there, namely Lutherans and Presbyterians, the first being under Brush Arbors.

In 1858 various Baptists living in the vicinity of Hebron Meeting House purchased a tract of land for the purpose of building a Baptist Church when constituted. Mount Zion Church was constituted on October 7, 1859. Those attending and assisting in the organization were: E. R. Elam and R. T. Hord of New Bethel; J. L. Ledford, J. C. Hoyle, N. H. Elliott and A. Beam of New Prospect Church of Cleveland County. The Presbytery organized by electing Elder T. Dixon as Moderator and J. C. Hoyle as Clerk. The records call for thirty-eight members, nineteen males and nineteen females.

A new Baptist church house was started soon after the organization of Mount Zion but work on it was interrupted with the coming on of the war and it was not finished until the war closed. The records are not clear as to who was the pastor for the first year. Elder E. Poston appears as the first pastor beginning in 1860. A. A. McSwain succeeded E. Poston and T. Dixon was called to the pastorate in 1863. A number of pastors served the church during its early life. The records indicate that the church had many difficulties, among the major ones being the question of the discipline of its members. Mount Zion has been missionary in spirit and in deeds, the records showing that early in its life money was raised for missionary work.

Three of God's great servants of earlier days who served us as pastor and who were well known throughout this section were: Rev. T. Dixon, father of Tom Dixon and Rev. A. C. Dixon, Rev. A. C. Ervin 1876-1882, Rev. A. P. Hollifield, 1885-1894.

The present church building was erected under the leadership of Rev. D. F. Putnam in 1902-03. Mount Zion has had a Sunday School since early in its life, the exact date of its organization being unknown. Tom Mullinax was the first Superintendent and John Hoke was assistant Superintendent. Riley Moss served in this cappacity for twenty years. Mount Zion is one of the oldest Baptist churches in Gaston County. Many have first met the Lord here and in addition our church has been the moving spirit in the organization of many other Baptist churches, among them being Cherryville Baptist Church, Leonard's Fork and Shady Grove.

MOUNTAIN SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

Mountain Side Baptist Church was organized on November 29, 1908 under the name of Spencer Mountain Baptist Church. Elder J. A. Hoyle was Moderator and J. F. Lowe Secretary.

The church organized with seventeen members, namely: J. B. Walters, Will Hollis, Walkin Wilkins, Walter Lowe, Will Allen, Luther Edwards, Robert Rhodes, C. L. Horne, Lucius Rhodes, Mrs. F. P. Lowe, Mrs. Amanda Rose, Mrs. Mary Eastwood, Miss Ella Allen, Mrs. Julia E. Petty, Flossie Cloninger and Lillie Flowers.

The Church Covenant and Articles of Faith of the First Baptist Church of Gastonia were adopted by the new church.

The Church was reorganized in 1932 with J. B. Payne as Pastor and adopted the name of Mountain Side Baptist Church. It now has approximately two hundred members and is progressing nicely. Rev. W. E. Abrams is the present pastor and serves the church for one-half time.

McADENVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

The first account we have of any regular appointment by Baptist was in the year 1885, when Rev. T. W. Upton, a Baptist preacher who lived near, preached for a year. He made his home almost every month in the home of Brother J. M. Bumgarner. At the end of the year, Brother Bumgarner gave him a suit of clothes costing seven dollars, and Mrs. Charles Nipper gave him one dollar in money which constituted his year's salary. This good man doubtless laid the foundation for the beginning of the Baptist church at McAdenville.

In 1886 Hon. R. Y. McAden, the proprietor of the McAdenville Mills arranged for A. G. McManaway, pastor of Tryon Street Church, in Charlotte, to come once a month on Sunday afternoon and preach. He held a protracted meeting, baptized some thirty persons, and organized a church of those he baptized, and not of members holding letters.

The church was organized in an old church house which is now being used for a barn by the McAden mills. The old union church was used for about fifteen years by any denomination who wished to worship there. We have no minutes of the Baptist church from 1886 to 1893, but we find that the following pastors served the church during that period: Rev. White, from Blacksburg, S. C. and Rev. Mullinax, of Clover, S. C.

In the year 1893, Rev. J. M. Bridges was called to the church. There had not been much development up to this time. We notice from the minutes of 1893 that there was an offering made by the congregation for local church expense, which amounted to 45 cents. Then the church was canvassed to see how much could be raised per month. The pledges amounted to $11.95 per month.

Here are the names of the other pastors who have served the McAdenville church: Rev. M. P. Matheny, G. M. Webb, B. L. Hoke, J. L. Vipperman, A. P. Bumgarner, J. D. Moose, J. H. Vipperman, C. A. Caldwell, D. E. Vipperman, W B. McClure, Rush Padgett, Walter L. Wilson, H. E. Waldrop, Mr. Blake, W. O. Rivenbark, and the present pastor, D. C. Wesson.

The new church house was built in the time of B. L. Hoke's pastorate, 1899 to 1904. It is said that the church house was built on the cash basis. When the money ran out Brother Hoke would say, "Brethren, we can't go any further until some more money is raised." This work went on until Feb. 1901, when the church was

finished and dedicated. Brother Hoke got Rev. O. L. Stringfield, of Raleigh, to preach the dedicatory sermon. His subject was "The Mission of a Baptist Church."

In 1912 the church paid to local expenses $360.00, and to Missions, $45.00. In 1917, five years later, they paid to local expenses, $1,633.28, and to Missions, $98.85.

In 1918 they paid to local expenses, $1,877.28 and $199.20 to Missions; in 1920, the church paid $2,413.21 to local expenses and $951.13 to the 75 Million Campaign. In 1922 we paid $1,802.05 to the Campaign and $4,714.27 to local expenses.

In the history of the church it has never asked the State Mission Board for aid, but has made some development from year to year of its own strength.

In 1916-17, the church built a pastor's home in one of the best residential sections of McAdenville.

Here is a partial report of the financial development of the church from 1923-1934, for local expenses; and missions.

CHURCH EXPENSES—1923, $2880.31; 1924, $2379.59; 1925, $3001.-64; 1926, $3142.55; 1927, $3001.64; 1928, $3271.34; 1929, $2481.97; 1930, $1743.68; 1931, $2346.57; 1932, $1879.79; 1933, $2009.33; 1934, $1742.78, making a total of $29,881.19.

MISSIONS—1923, $2684.86; 1924, $953.11; 1925, $799.31; 1926, $13-67.67; 1927,$895.40; 1928, $936.50; 1929, $425.00; 1930, $375.00; 1931, $440.89; 1932, $116.07; 1933, $123.10; 1934, $207.80, totaling $9,324.71.

We consider that this church has done well to be in a small town. We have now 291 members of the church. The Church is out of debt.

The deacons are: B. H. Waters, Chairman, T. L. Austin, M. A. Harwell, D. F. Lawrence, Labe Abernathy, C. E. Austin, J. W. Rankin, J. L. Lineberger, Lee Jenkins, E. C. Adcock, J. C. Pence.

Brother E. F. Hoffman is the church Clerk, and C. E. Austin is the Church Treasurer. Mrs. J. C. Harris is the President of the W. M. S. We have four B. T. U.'s, led by Mr. Walter Savage, as director.

In the history of the church Mr. Wesson has served longer than any other pastor this church has had. He has been here five years, and is entering on his sixth year.

In the history of this church it has added Sunday School rooms, and installed a good heating plant. We have also done some work on our church grounds that adds beauty to our church.

MISSION BAPTIST CHURCH

On May 5, 1935 at a little Store building on North Oakland St. in Gastonia, the Mission Baptist Church was organized. J. W. Whitley was Chairman of the Council of Churches and W. L. Hawkins, Clerk. The Council represented the First, East, Calvary, Flint Grove, Sandy Plains, Marietta Street, and Harden Baptist Churches.

The following pastors formed the Presbytery: Dr. J. W. Whitley, Moderator; J. A. Hudson, B. F. Austin, G. W. Davis, W. L. Hawkins, G. Redding, and H. W. Baucom.

The following were Charter members: C. E. Brooks, Mrs. C. E. Brooks, D. E. Brady, Mrs. B. E. Brady, Mrs. Gladys Fox, Mrs. Grace Fish, Charlie Garrison, Miss Beulah Griffin, D. B. Harwell, J. S. Hawkins, Leno Hawkins, Daisy Hawkins, Rosetta Hawkins, Mrs. J. S. Hawkins, W. L. Head, Jack Head, Mrs. Mary Reneau, J. A. Reneau, Mrs. J. A. Reneau, Andrew Smith, Mrs. Nellie Smith, E. T. Merrill, Mrs. E. T. Merrill, Frank Jenkins, Mrs. Frank Jenkins, J. A. King, Mrs. J. A. King, C. L. King, Mrs. C. L. King, Miss Celestial King, Dessie Mae King, J. D. King, Della Ruth King, Mrs. Darwin Long, Hellen Little, E. G. McFee, Mrs. E. G. McFee, Marie Plyler, Dorothy Plyler, Mrs. Thelma Smith.

The church called C. E. Brooks for pastor. The following officers were elected: C. L. King, clerk; Frank Jenkins, treasurer; J. A. Reneau, J. A. King, and Frank Jenkins, deacons. The name "Mission Baptist Church" was selected.

The congregation moved into their new house of worship on North Magnolia Street, near the Gastonia Weaving Company, on the first Sunday in June, 1935. The event was observed with fitting exercises including a dinner served on the grounds of the mill nearby. In the afternoon the church ordained Rev. C. E. Brooks, pastor.

The building consists of two Sunday School rooms, baptistry, main auditorium with a seating capacity of 300. Morning and evening worship is held each Lord's day. Has 215 on roll in Sunday School September 22, 1935. Membership has grown until the present enrollment is 81. By baptism 18, by letter and statement 20. The organization grew out of a Mission Sunday School established in August, 1929. Most of the Sunday School workers are Charter Members of the Church.

MOUNTAIN VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Mountain View Baptist Church was organized at Crowders Mountain on June 17, 1928.

A Presbytery was called to consider the reorganization of the Crowder's Mountain Baptist Church now disbanded. After songs and prayer, led by Rev. W. N. Cook, of King's Mountain, Rev. J. W. Whitley, of Gastonia, was made temporary chairman.

The following persons from different churches sat in the meeting: J. E. Campbell, H. E. Love, S. G. McAllister, Rev. J. H. Boggs, J. M. Buchannon, L. P. Waldrop, F. C. Plemmons, Brack Derryberry, S. B. Laws, W. A. Marley, Ernest King, R. C. Blanton, Jacob Alexander, N. C. Hicks, R. C. Price, Rev. W. A. Hoffman, Rev. T. L. Cashwell, Rev. Geo. W. Davis, Rev. J .W. Whitley and Rev. W. N. Cook.

The Presbytery organized by electing J. W. Whitley as moderator and W. N. Cook as secretary, after which those who wished to come into the new organization were asked to come forward and the following persons presented themselves for membership:

Lon Mullinax, P. H. Welch, J. J. Hollifield, Charlie McFalls, W. L. Mullinax, Mrs. Homer Myers, Alice Taylor, Pearl Welch, Alverny Welch, Mrs. D. T. Birchfield, H. J. Taylor, Bessie Welch, Emma Welch, Loray Welch, Dollie Collins, Smanath Hollifield, O. J. Lyda, J. M. Welch, Eunice McFalls, Mrs. Eldridge Mitchell, Mrs. Buchannon, Wannie Banks, Mrs. Maude Birch, Bessie Taylor, Gussie Taylor, Susie Mayberry, Sallie Mullinax.

Rev. D. F. Birchfield presented the New Hampshire Articles of Faith and read the church covenant, which was adopted. A motion was made to recognize the new organization as a regularly organized Baptist Church and the motion was passed by vote of the Presbytery after which the right hand of fellowship was extended to all of those joining.

A motion was then made that the book be kept open until July 10, and that all joining by that date shall be entered as charter members.

Motion was made and passed, that Rev. J. W. Whitley sit as moderator until the officers be elected. Brother O. J. Lyda was elected as clerk, Rev. D. F. Birchfield was chosen as first pastor. Motion was made and passed that the new church organization be known as Mountain View Missionary Baptist Church. Rev. T. L. Cashwell, of East Church, Gastonia, delivered the charge to the new church.

The following have served as pastors of this church since its organization: D. F. Birchfield, W. H. Redman, Arnold Whitesides, A. L. Campbell and the present pastor, Johnnie Moss.

MOUNT BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH

The first Baptist preaching in the Mount Beulah section was done by Rev. I. T. Newton who was then pastor of the Dallas Baptist church. This was during the summer of 1916. The services he held were in an old school house near the home of Brother F. M. Payseur. It was known as "The Carolina School House." It is now used as a dwelling.

The preaching that Rev. Newton did created much interest in Baptist affairs, so the Baptists of the community decided that they must have a church. The date for the organization was set for September 10, 1916. Accordingly, they met and the services were begun by singing some good hymns which was followed by an earnest prayer led by Rev. C. M. Robinson. They then organized a presbytery composed of Revs. I. T. Newton, W. C. Barrett, G. P. Abernathey. Rev. Newton was elected chairman and they proceeded at once to organize. The door of the church was opened and twenty-eight presented letters from Baptist churches round about. W. C. Barrett read the Articles of Faith and the Church Covenant was read by Rev. G. P. Abernathey. These were both adopted and the presbytery declared the organized body a Baptist church. Rev. I. T. Newton was called to serve the church as pastor.

The brethren proceeded at once to make plans for the erection of a house of worship. Mr. Sid L. Kiser donated a lot on the Cherryville-Dallas highway and so the brethren made ready and began their building the first of the year of 1917. The house was soon ready for services and the pastor preached the first sermon in it and served the church for more than a year. He then resigned to take work elsewhere. He was followed by Rev. D. F. Putnam who served from July 1, 1917 until September 15, 1918. He was succeeded by Dr. J. L. Vipperman who served until September 2, 1923. After him came Rev. W. G. Camp who served about nine years. He did a splendid work here. He was followed by Rev. W. P. Biggerstaff who served as supply for several months. Then the church called C. J. Black, the present pastor. He took charge the first of May 1934. Since he began, the church has bought a new piano, installed a Delco lighting system, and has placed the Sunday School on the Standard list. The church is almost one hundred per cent for The Lord's Acre Plan. It has all of the B. T. U. organizations and is one of the most wide awake rural Baptist churches in our section of the state.

MOUNT HOLLY BAPTIST CHURCH

The Mt. Holly Church was organized December 1889. The deacons from Hebron and Fellowship took the initiative in the organization of the Mt. Holly church. Rev. M. P. Matheny was the first pastor and served the church one year. Rev. C. E. Gore was the second pastor, and served from 1890 to 1895. Rev. W. J. Hopkins was pastor for four years and he was succeeded by Rev. C. M. Murkinson, who served two years. During the pastorates of these men they held services at Tuckasiege and Hebron.

Rev. J. D. Bowen was then extended a call and he served surrounding churches as did Rev. W. J. Bumgardner, the successor of Rev. Mr. Bowen. The church continued to make progress and soon went to full time. Rev. I. T. Newton was then pastor and served from 1904 to 1909.

Beginning with 1909 the following have served as pastors: Rev. D. E. Vipperman, Rev. E. C. Andrews, Dr. W. G. Moore, Rev. C. A. G. Thomas, Rev. Ford Burns, Dr. J. L. Vass and Rev. M. L. Barnes who is the present pastor, beginning his work in 1930.

Mt. Holly has a modern building and a membership 698. The church also has an aggressive Sunday School, B. T. U. and W. M. U., also all the Auxiliaries fostered by the denomination.

HISTORY OF RANLO BAPTIST CHURCH

Ranlo Baptist Church is located four miles east of Gastonia in the heart of the community made up of the textile plants of Ranlo Manufacturing Company, Rex Spinning Company and Priscilla Mills. The A. M. Smyre Manufacturing Company's plant is nearby and from this community a number of members are drawn.

This church had its beginning in the latter part of 1917 or early 1918 as a mission of the Loray Baptist Church. It was seen that a Baptist Church should be organized to take care of the work in this fast growing community. Rev. G. P. Abernethy, then pastor of the Loray Church, carried on this work as a mission for some eighteen months. A revival meeting was held in the Rex community house and when it was closed the following persons gave their names for membership: Mrs. J. C. Costner, Ellen Clary, Mr. & Mrs. W. J. Day, Mr. & Mrs. D. E. Elmore, Mr. & Mrs. R. A. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hawkins, Mrs. Lizzie Horton, Mrs. Cora McArver, Mr. & Mrs. O. G. Payseur, Mr. & Mrs. L. B. Reeves, Nellie Reeves, Elmer Reeves, Beulah Reeves, Mr. & Mrs. J. O. Stafford, Floyd Stafford, Vera Stafford, Mr. & Mrs. M. T. Stafford, Mrs. D. G. Watts, Mr. & Mrs. W. A. Wallace.

The organization meeting was set for Sunday afternoon, June 8, 1919, at three o'clock, but due to a rainstorm was postponed. The organization was perfected on Tuesday evening, June 10, 1919, and Rev. G. P. Abernethy was called as pastor. He served until September of the same year when he resigned.

Rev. C. Q. Rhyne was called as the second pastor and the prospects for his success here were bright but ten months afterwards he lost his life by accident, having been shot while out hunting with friends.

Rev. M. L. Barnes was the third pastor and during his pastorate the church made great strides forward. The church was now using the building of the Ranlo Graded Schools for its services, preaching being had twice monthly. The Sunday School of the community was a union school at this time.

The real problems of the church began with preparations for and building a house of worship. The first building, a wooden structure, was used only a short time when it was completely destroyed by fire. This made necessary a new beginning. Surely it would be a good time to quit. There were not only no funds with which to begin anew, but there was a burden of debt due to insufficient insurance to cover the loss caused by the fire.

Under the leadership of Brother Barnes the church undertook the task of rebuilding and at a cost of approximately $18,000.00 the present brick structure was erected. A parsonage was also erected at a cost of $3,500.00. At times the debt of the church has looked to be an impossible mountain in its pathway.

With the resignation of Brother Barnes, Rev. J. W. Kesterson was called to the pastorate. He served the church for a period of two years, leaving in 1928.

In August 1928, the church extended a call to Rev. W. L. Walters. He accepted the work and began with the first Sunday of September and has now completed seven years as pastor.

The debt of the church in 1928 was above $12,000.00. While at that time it looked to be an impossible task it has been reduced year by year, even in the period of severe depression, and now the unprovided for debt on the church building is less than $500.00 and that on the parsonage slightly above $1,200.00. It is good indeed to be so near the end of this terrible journey of debt.

Even in a brief history of our church we must mention some friends who have made the work lighter by their splendid gifts and cooperation: There were eight men of Gastonia who personally gave their note for $800.00 to purchase a lot for a church in our community, they were: Rev. W. C. Barrett, Rev. J. W. Whitley, Rev. G. P. Abernethy, W. J. Clifford, T. C. Smith, H. B. Moore, W. L. Walters, C. B. Newton. This note was later assumed and paid by the church. Mr. W. T. Love provided the seating, has given liberally, otherwise to the church, and as an executive of the Ranlo Mills has been a great friend of ours. The Rex Spinning Company assumed the payment of a note of some size due one of our banks and which was a very heavy burden on us. Mr. J. E. Simpson donated a pipe organ to us early in 1933 and it has been a source of joy to the membership. There are many others not connected with us who have been a help and blessing to us but who cannot be mentioned here.

The greatest gifts, and the greatest service rendered during the sixteen years of the life of the church, have come from the lives of individuals placed upon God's Altar without reserve. The little group of twenty-eight at the beginning has grown to more than four hundred and fifty at present. Truly, God has been good to us. We now look to the rising sun of other new days when we may serve our Lord better than ever before.

SANDY PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sandy Plains Baptist Church is located in the southern part of Gaston county. It has not always been known as Sandy Plains. It was first organized as Union Baptist Church on June 26, 1863 on a lot about one-half mile east of the present location. The membership was composed of 49 whites and 12 colored. The lot was owned jointly by all denominations.

The present organization was made on May 22, 1870, moved to the present location and built the first house of worship about 1873-74. The work has gone on since that time, not always at its best, but with enough faithful ones to keep the work going. The present membership is 280 with a Sunday School enrollment of 250.

The following have served as pastors:

A. J. Cansler, 1863-1866.
T. R. Gains, 1866-68.
E. A. Poe, 1869-70.
Euander Davids, 1870-71.
D. W. Thomasson, 1871-78.
P. R. Elam, 1878-81.
J. F. Morris, 1881-88.
W. B. McClure, 1888-89.
C. F. Felmet, 1889-90.
J. M. Bridges, 1890-91.
B. M. Bridges, 1891-1901.
James Gillespie, 1902.
J. A. Hoyle, 1903-07.
C. F. Felmet, 1907-10.
J. J. Beach, 1910-16.
J. W. Whitley, 1916-18.
W. A. Hough, 1918-21.
W. W. Rimmer, 1924-27.
C. J. Black, 1921-24.
L. L. Jessup, 1927-30.
M. P. Rhyne, 1930, is still pastor.

The first building has been enlarged three times and is now meeting the needs of the Church and Sunday School very well.

SHADY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

On November 25, 1881 Shady Grove Baptist Church was organized under a brush arbor near the site of the present church building, three miles south of Cherryville on the Bessemer City road. Rev. C. F. Felmet, Rev. J. A. Hoyle and Rev. A. C. Irvin had held revival meetings under this brush arbor. One of these brush arbors stood near where the Fairview Public School is now located. Rev. A. C. Irvin baptized about twenty-five converts from one of these meetings held under the arbor.

The Presbytery which organized this church was composed of the following brethren: From Shelby, Elder A. L. Stough; from Mt. Zion, Elder N. H. Moss, J. R. Moss and W. H. Hoover and E. R. Wellmon; from Sandy Rum, Elder A. A. McSwain; from Zion, Elder A. C. Irvin. Rev. A. L. Stough preached the sermon from Acts 12:24, "But the word of God grew and multiplied." He was then elected as chairman of the Presbytery. Elder A. A. McSwain was elected Secretary. Elder A. C. Irvin led in prayer. The Church Covenant and Articles of Faith were read and approved, after which those named below were formed into a church called Shady Grove. These charter members were: I. P. Hicks, Noah Mauney, John Neil, James Snead, M. L. Hullett, M. L. Neil, Jake Brillhart, C. M. Crowder, James Farris, Samuel Farris, R. B. Hicks, J. T. Taylor, C. Eaker, J. A. Hoyle, Mary Hicks, Katherine Mauney, E. L. Farris, Lydia Stroup, Sarah Brillhart, Sara Beam, P. C. McGinnis, Huldah J. Mauney, M. E. Black, Sarah Browne, Anna Black, Cynthia Beam, M. A. Crowder, Elizabeth Mauney, M. A. Hullett, Jemima Dellinger and M. A. Long. It is said that only two of these charter members are now living. They are Mrs. Huldah J. Mauney who is still a member of Shady Grove, and Mrs. Noah Hicks of the Cherryville Baptist Church.

The land for the church was donated by J. J. Stroup and J. H. Witherspoon. During recent years some more land has been bought by the church and added to the original plot. The first building was erected mainly by Oliver Hicks, Noah Hicks, R. B. Hicks and Noah Mauney. It is said that James Farris, a crippled man, made shingles at night by a lantern light to cover the first building.

The first pastor was Elder J. A. Hoyle, ordained at Shady Grove June 16, 1882 by a Presbytery composed of Elders Thomas Dixon, G. M. Webb and A. L. Stough. The first trustees were I. P. Hicks, Noah Mauney and M. L. Hullett. The first deacons were I. P. Hicks, Noah Mauney, M. L. Hullett and James Farris. Brother I. P. Hicks must have come to Shady Grove as a deacon for the records show that these other three first deacons were ordained on the very same

day that Rev. J. A. Hoyle was ordained to the ministry and by the same Presbytery but in a separate session of the said body.

The following men have served Shady Grove as pastors: Rev. J. A. Hoyle, Rev. C. F. Felmet, Rev. T. L. Moss, Rev. P. R. Elam, Rev. J. E. Bridges, Rev. G. M. Webb, Rev. R. N. Hawkins, Rev. J. D. Woodward, Rev. C. W. Payseur, Rev. J. C. Blanton, Rev. C. A. Caldwell, Rev. L. A. Bangle, Rev. J. J. Waldrop, Rev. G. C. Ivey, Rev. A. W. Setzer, Rev. W. T. Brown and the present pastor, Rev. W. G. Camp. The longest pastorates have been those of L. A. Bangle who served eight years, R. N. Hawkins who served seven and the present pastor who has been with the church ten years.

The first Treasurer was I. P. Hicks. D. M. Witherspoon has now been treasurer for about twenty-five years. The Treasurer of our mission funds is Miss Lorene Stroupe. Up to this year the church has had only four clerks. They were M. L. Hullett, D. N. Hicks, R. B. Hicks and D. R. Stroupe. Brother Stroupe served as clerk for about thirty-eight years. Since his death during this year, the church has recently elected young Brother Earl Sellers to succeed him as clerk. In the year 1934 three new men were added to the Board of Deacons. The present board consists of Joseph Mauney, Tom P. Sellers, D. M. Witherspoon, Bert Stroupe, Floyd L. Mauney, C. A. Martin, Charlie Sellers and Noah Mauney. The three laest named being those who were elected to the board in 1934. Noah Mauney is a grandson of the first deacon of the same name. Some of the earlier deacons moved away but Noah Mauney and Phillip Mauney, each served as deacon until death.

About nine years ago the church building was turned so as to face the highway and some additional space was added by building four class rooms for the Sunday School and a splendid place for the choir just to the rear of the pulpit. The first choir leader of which the records speak was Samuel Farris and the second was Noah Hicks. For many years Shady Grove has been known for its good music. The present choir sings well under the direction of Brother F. L. Mauney. Miss Clara Delle Stroupe is pianist. We have had for several years a splendid Sunday School with well trained teachers and officers. Brother J. R. Witherspoon is our present and efficient Superintendent.

The records of 1885 show that Shady Grove elected delegates to the Broad River Association which met at State Line Church four miles from where Chesnee, S. S. now is. Later Shady Grove became a member of the Kings Mountain Association and finally of the Gaston, in the organization of the Gaston.

TUCKASEEGE BAPTIST CHURCH

This church was organized on April 16, 1911. The Presbytery was composed of Rev. I. T. Newton, Rev. D. E. Vipperman, Rev. W. B. McClure and Deacon W. F. Huggins.

The first deacons were J. W. Bumgardner, Walter Mullis, A. J. Mauney. The first Clerk F. J. Harris and the Treasurer W. G. Stowe.

The following were among the fifty-nine members with which the church was organized: G. R. Auten, T. Alexander, J. W. Bumgardner, Docia Curry, Viola Connell, D. R. Huffstickler, M. H. Huffstickler, F. T. Hovis, Lizzie Hartgrove, Janie Johnson, L. Lawing, C. F. Lowe, George L. Mullis, A. J. Mauney, J. W. Miller, W. W. McAllister, Cluster Nichols, W. L. O'Daniel, E. A. Riley, L. A. Stone, and Lillie Thrower.

George L. Mullis was elected pastor of this church which was organized in the public school building. Services were held in this building for one year when a building was erected. The building was 36X48. Later wings were built on either side.

Later a parsonage was built which has enabled us to have a pastor on the field almost continuously. This has been a great blessing to our community. Recently a heating plant has been installed and the grounds beautified, and folding partitions have been installed in the church. These all add much to the appearance and comfort. The partitions enable the classes to have separate rooms for their work and for B. Y. P. U.

The present pastor, Rev. W. E. Abrams, formerly of Mars Hill, N. C., is emphasizing the necessity of serving to the full extent of one's ability. With the support and cooperation of such a loyal people we are expecting to see this church go forward in a great way.

WEBB'S CHAPEL

Webb's Chapel Baptist Church was organized on Sunday August 20, 1892, by Rev. G. M. Webb, R. N. Hawkins and J. D. Hoffman. The Church was named in honor of Rev. G. M. Webb. Twenty members constituted the church at the time of its organization. Since the organization the church has had a healthy growth.

Our building is of wood and is valued at $2,500.00. Seating capacity is 350, and we have a one room building.

The following have served as pastor since the organization: G. M. Webb, J. M. Ballard, W. W. Rimmer, Ed Brown, L. A. Bangle, M. P. Rhyne, and the present pastor, T. H. Roach. The church has never been without a pastor.

WOODLAWN BAPTIST CHURCH

The Woodlawn Baptist Church was organized July 29, 1928. Dr. Walter M. Gilmore, who was then with the State Mission Board, made investigation of the community, and found favorable conditions for the organization. After a vote by the conference it was decided to proceed with the organization.

Dr. E. V. Hudson, pastor of the Cramerton Baptist Church, and Rev. L. L. Jessup, pastor at Lowell, were present and assisted in organizing the Church.

On September 19, 1928 the Church called Rev. C. F. Comstock, who served as full-time pastor until September 30, 1930.

The Church was then without a pastor until February 4, 1931. At this time the church was suffering under the financial depression and was not able to carry on full-time work, and Rev. W. T. Baucom was called for half-time, and he served the Church until July 31, 1933.

The Church was again without a pastor until June 16, 1934, when Rev. G. G. Bowen was called to supply for six months. At the expiration of six months, the Church decided to call him for full-time work and he is serving at the present time.